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Mayor asks police for "zero tolerance"

Sept. 17 open forum will address both residents', students' concerns

by Sarah Karalunas '04
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A Student Assembly Open Forum, scheduled by the Dean of Students Office, to discuss town-gown relations will take place Tuesday, September 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Annex. The meeting was scheduled following 14 student arrests on open container and disorderly conduct charges in the Village of Clinton last weekend. Both residents of Clinton and Kirkland and students complained about their treatment.

Building on complaints raised on numerous occasions throughout the past few years, residents at a Sept. 4 Village of Clinton board meeting complained about noise from late-night parties and students leaving the bars, as a well as about littering and speeding.

"There was a village-board meeting; there was also a town-board meeting last week. The mayor and the people on both boards are very upset. We really need to work on this issue as a community," said Dean of Students Flossie Mitchell.

Robert Goering, the current Mayor of Clinton, explained, "This is my third term as mayor, and this is the first time that residents have come to a meeting to voice their concerns. These [the

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Community gathers by candlelight to remember 9/11

by Sarah Gould '05
NEWS WRITER

On the first anniversary of the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks, Hamilton students and faculty came together in remembrance and reflection. One year later, with the burden of memory weighing heavily in mind, Hamilton paid tribute to the tragedy of September 11, 2001.

At 10:29 a.m., the bells of Hamilton's chapel rang out in what would be the first of several events commemorating the events of the previous year. Students and faculty were encouraged to participate in one minute of silence as a brief homage to the memory of those who died. Throughout campus, whether in small groups or alone, people stopped and reflected.

"What does this mean to us? Can we allow it to change us in a fundamental way? What do we take away from it?" College Chaplain Jeffrey McArn asked, referring to the questions he hopes people will ask themselves over the days surrounding September 11.

Later in the day, McArn led a prayer service in the Chapel to provide community members with the "simple service of prayer" and scriptural reflection for students. McCarn hopes on that day, as on every day, that the "biblical notion of justice that has to do with reaching out to other people who are vastly different, but who share a need," would be understood and incorporated into "our own knowledge bases."

As the culmination of the first day of events, members of the Hamilton community and Clinton gathered to participate in a candlelight vigil. The procession began at 7:30 p.m. in the McEwen breezeway, where candles were given to all participants. In waning light, the mass of students, faculty, and community members walked along Martin's Way and through the quad to the steps of Burke Library.

In his brief comments, President Tobin asked for "toleration in the face of hatred." He lik-

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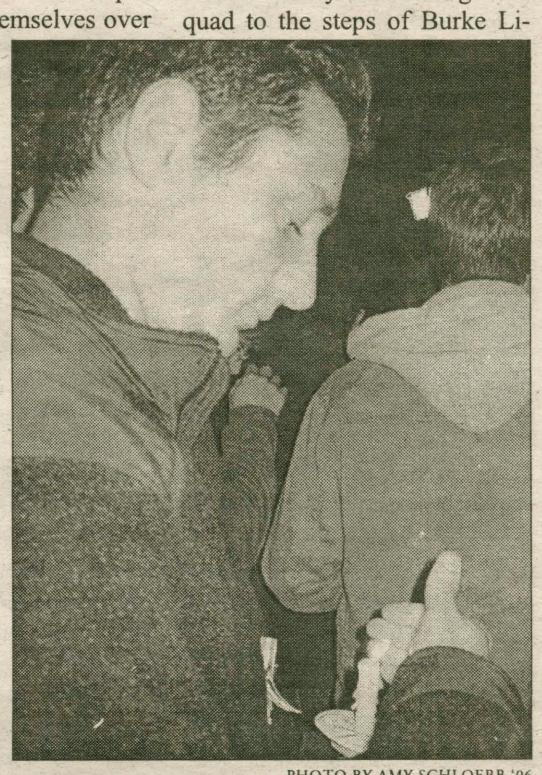

PHOTO BY AMY SCHLOERB '06

Daniel Bleeker '06 observes a moment of silence during President Tobin's speech at Wednesday's candelight vigil. The vigil was attended by Hamilton students, faculty, and staff, and by residents of Clinton.

County begins construction project on College Hill Road

Effort to widen roads results in north campus power outage

by Stephanie Valle '05
NEWS WRITER

Students who pulled parking spaces in either of the North Lots will soon have a much safer walk thanks to the efforts of both the county and the College.

Starting this past Tuesday, Campus Road was closed for construction in the area between the Turf Field and Loop Road. Although a temporary inconvenience for students now, the construction will ultimately result in a wider road and walkways on both Campus Road and Loop Road.

"We wanted to be able to allow students to walk on lighted walkways," said Steve Bellona, the director of Physical Plant.

Bellona said that during the construction this summer, he and others talked to students about ways they could improve the walk back and forth from campus to the north side lots. "This is a safety issue for students," he said, noting both the students and college's concern over having students walk down a dark road.

During the summer a lighted walkway was constructed along Loop Road, enabling students to avoid walking down an unlit roadway. However, when looking at Campus Road, Bellona said widening that roadway proved to be a little more difficult.

Since Campus Road is a county road, the college worked with the county to determine what needed to be done.

The county found that currently the road is too narrow to include a walkway and, that in order to widen the road, a culvert over the ravine on the closed section of Campus Road needed

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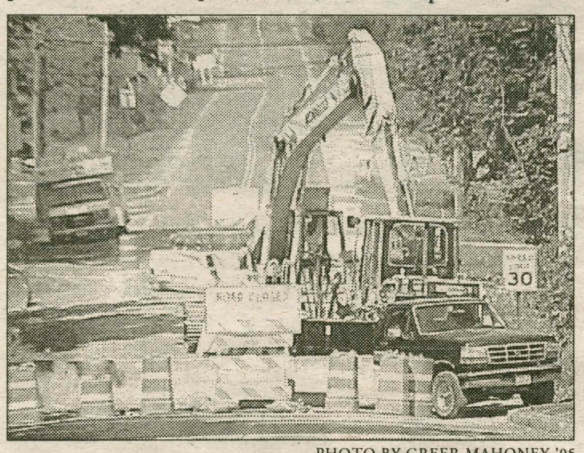

PHOTO BY GREER MAHONEY '05

Oneida county found that College Road is too narrow to include a walkway, and that in order to widen the road, a culvert over the ravine on the closed section of Campus Road needed to be replaced.

EACs, ERs pioneer new on-campus recycling program

by Ian Mandel '06
NEWS WRITER

In an effort to increase environmental awareness, the members of the Hamilton Recycling Committee have joined forces with Physical Plant to restructure recycling programs on the Hill.

Members of both Physical Plant and the Committee are hoping that the latest wave of improvements will encourage students to recycle more of their waste, as has been the trend at other similar schools.

"It's been estimated that, until now, Hamilton has been recycling around 14% of its waste. Compare that number with other NESCAC schools, like Middlebury, for example, which recycles 60% of its waste," commented Matt Clarke '03, a member of Hamilton's Recycling Committee and an Environmental Area Coordinator (EAC). "The point is, we can do better."

Clarke, Sarah Bardenett '04, David Fanelli '04, and Matt Stringer '03 make up a committee of four paid student interns who are responsible for directing environmental volunteers throughout campus.

The student volunteers, called Environmental Representatives (ERs), are responsible for monitoring recycling in all campus dorms.

"The many ERs have volunteered to monitor recycling stations in their hallways, promote environmental awareness, and encourage hallmates to recycle," Clarke said.

The four EACs supervise the volunteers by performing bi-weekly checks with their assigned ERs and by touring each building several times a week to ensure that recycling programs are running smoothly.

"These Area Coordinators do the organizing, the media, and they keep in contact with the Oneida-Herkimer County Recy-

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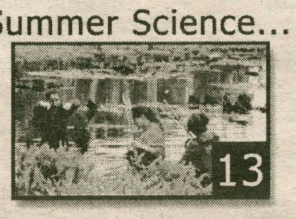

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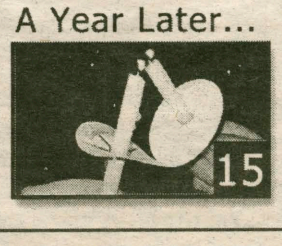

Search for sophomore seminar takes professors cross-country

by Chris Takacs '05
NEWS EDITOR

On June 20th, 1803, President Thomas Jefferson sent a message to the army: Your mission is to explore along the Missouri River, searching for an easy, transcontinental route to India. It had been hoped and assumed for over 130 years that the river would reach a high plateau and connect with another waterway, which would stretch all the way to the Indian Subcontinent.

A year later, in May of 1804, an expedition departed from St. Louis along the Missouri River, led by Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. A 55 ft. keel boat and two smaller vessels set out for what would be an adventure that would last over two years and cover over 8,000 miles.

Over the summer the Lewis and Clark expedition was retraced by William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of History Maurice Isserman and Associate Professor of Geology Todd Rayne. Now, weeks after the trip, the professors' goal is to design an interdisciplinary seminar by 2004 that will thoroughly study the journey and ultimately culminate in a trip similar to that of Lewis and Clark.

As Isserman states, "We think we have a teachable moment... [Lewis and Clark] have an importance for beyond what is already known about them." The professors will attempt to teach students to be Lewis and Clark; to emulate and seek to understand their extraordinary spirit, capabilities and determinism, in the face of incredible challenges.

"What we see as appealing is their undaunted interdisciplinarity," states Isserman. Lewis and Clark, though untrained, became cartographers, ethnographers, botanists, naturalists, and catalogers (amongst other trades) out of necessity. It is this adaptability that Rayne and Isserman wish to convey and pass on to the students.

Isserman and Rayne set out from St. Louis and traveled 3000 land miles, visiting the main sites that Lewis and Clark stayed in and exploring the river that cuts through the American northwest.

The more recent journey, however, was substantially different then that of the early 19th century for more than obvious reasons. According to the two professors, the river of today is very different than the river of Lewis and Clark.

According to Isserman, the explorers of the past had it much harder. Today, the water is contained and is essentially a series of long lakes in the Eastern parts. Only when the professors went far west did they discover the largely untouched river of the past.

Rayne and Isserman read from Lewis and Clark's journals as they went along, trying to match their records with locations along the Missouri, which kept them busy during the "boring parts of the river," southeast of North Dakota.

When the team reached North Dakota, where Lewis and Clark stayed for the first winter of their trip, "things got interesting." The original expedition spent the cold months with two Indian tribes, observing the behavior of over 4,500 Native Americans, only a few decades before one of the tribes was almost obliterated by smallpox.

Commenting about the experience as a whole, Rayne states that "it was really a spectacular thing, traveling along a small stretch of the Missouri that is relatively unchanged from the time of Lewis and Clark."

As the two continued, their trip took them into the Rockies of Montana and Idaho, and eventually into Oregon and Southern Washington, reaching the west coast of America, 3,000 miles from their starting point.

"We want students to see the world with fresh eyes and build their skills from exemplary figures like Lewis and Clark," Isserman said.

It is planned that the seminar will incorporate ecology, history, politics, and a number of other academic fields, culminating with an individual project for each student relating to his or her trip.

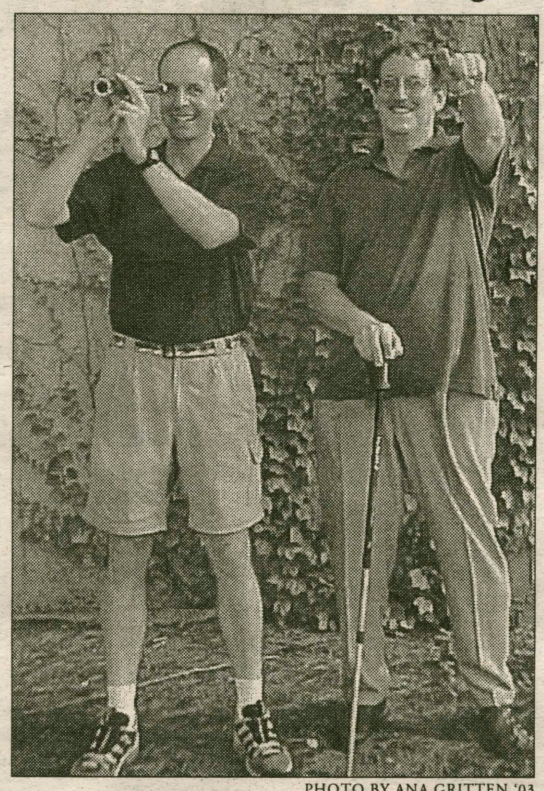

PHOTO BY ANA GRITTEN '03

Professors Rayne and Isserman mimic their heroes, the famous Lewis and Clark. While Lewis and Clark never found India, the professors did find an excellent topic for a sophomore seminar.

Borjas kicks off Levitt "immigration series"

by Kristy Hague '05
NEWS WRITER

This year the Levitt Center will bring a series of prestigious guest speakers to campus to discuss various economic, sociological, and political aspects of immigration.

Paul Hagstrom, an associate professor of economics and the director of the Levitt Center, describes the center as "a gateway from the college to the greater community." In accordance with past lecture series, the center will present speakers at the forefront of their field to "bring the challenge of real policy issues to Hamilton faculty and students, as well as the community at large," as the center's mission statement declares.

The first of these speakers was George Borjas. On Thursday, his lecture, "The Economics of Immigration," attracted an array of students, professors, and people from the local community. A professor of economics at Harvard, Borjas is considered to be the top scholar on the effect of immigration upon the economic health of a nation.

"We had the opportunity to bring to campus the best economist in the field," said Hagstrom. "Rarely does Congress make a public policy decision involving immigration without consulting him."

Borjas believes in a need to change the United States immigration policy. Currently, the United States uses a family-based policy, meaning that the government tries to bring entire families to the States regardless of previous job training. As a result of this policy, the United States has a surplus of unskilled laborers.

Borjas proposes that America only accept skilled immigrants who can provide the type of labor that this country needs and avoid allowing immigrants with little training and meager skill to enter the country.

Although the Levitt Center did not plan the immigration speaker series in conjunction with the cluster of sophomore seminars on globalization, the lectures provide excellent supplementary material for the seminars. These speakers present so much relevant information that many students enrolled in the sophomore seminars are required to attend the lectures.

With the emphasis of interdisciplinary study in the sophomore seminars, immigration fits perfectly into the curriculum, Hagstrom explained immigration has always crossed disciplines, but with increasing relevance after September 11.

"I actually think I'll enjoy the speakers; it will be interesting to see how different aspects of immigration affect the growing

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Golisano, Pataki vie for party nod

by John Kuhl '06
NEWS WRITER

As of Wednesday morning Tom Golisano, the billionaire businessman from Rochester, New York, beat incumbent Governor George Pataki in the state's Independence Party primary. This comes only a week after former Housing and Urban Development Secretary under president Clinton, and son of former New York Governor Mario Cuomo, Andrew Cuomo dropped out of the race for the Democratic nomination for Governor.

With Cuomo out of the race, current New York State Comptroller Carl McCall easily swept up the Democratic nomination with only 10-12% of the party's eligible voters actually voting. McCall did, however, take the primary seriously, saying, "Let's take [the primary] as a dress rehearsal for November."

McCall was expected to beat Cuomo in the primary, but having him drop out of the race before the election allowed state party leaders to rally behind one candidate in a showing of unity.

U.S. Senator Charles Schumer had surprised New Yorkers earlier in the campaign by declaring his support for McCall, but Senator Hillary Clinton had not yet endorsed a candidate.

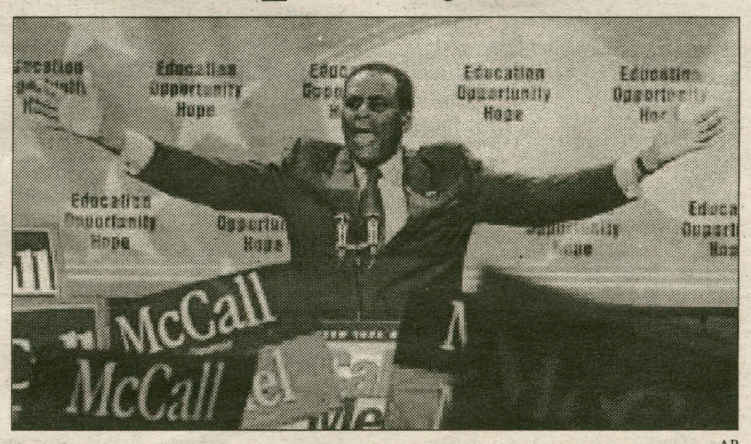
Senator Clinton had been under heavy pressure from both New York's African-American community to support McCall, and from others who cited Cuomo's ties to her husband's administration.

Golisano's victory in winning the Independence Party's nomination also doesn't hurt McCall; Golisano will be able to continue his highly publicized attacks on Governor Pataki.

To date Golisano has spent around $25 million dollars on his campaign, which amounts to more than two thousand dollars per voter in the Independence Party primary. Of the 220,000 Independence Party members, less than 20,000 voted.

As of Wednesday morning Golisano was reported to have had 52.5% of the vote to Patacki's 47.5%, a lead of only 900 votes, with two thousand absentee ballots yet to be counted.

In response to Pataki's loss, Kieran Mahoney, the Governor's chief strategist, stated, "We've just had a $35 million negative campaign run against us, and we've still got great numbers." Patacki is also expected to have a very visible role in the several memorial events marking the anniversary of the September 11th tragedy. This will most likely improve his already high approval ratings.



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H. Carl McCall talks to supporters Tuesday night, Sept. 10, 2002, in New York after his victory in the Democratic primary for New York governor.

In claiming his nomination Golisano stated, "For someone coming up out of the business world to defeat a sitting Governor in the primary... there's a very strong and potent message." Although he's gaining support, Golisano's chances for actually winning in November are quite small. In a poll done by Marist College of likely November voters on Monday, Pataki led with 52%, followed by McCall with 37%, and Golisano with 11%.

Most conclude that Pataki will remain in the Governor's mansion for another four years, including Government Professor Ted Eismeier, who commented that Golisano's victory will "probably help McCall, but not enough to get him elected."

Sources: New York Times
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IVORY TOWERS

THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

Compiled by Chris Takacs '05

Enrollment Rises at College Near WTC

NEW YORK (AP) - The college closest to the World Trade Center is seeing record enrollment a year after five students and three alumni were killed and one of its buildings was heavily damaged in the terrorist attack.

The Borough of Manhattan Community College remains without a 15-story building battered by debris, and has had to use space in college facilities, trailers and other schools to compensate. Even so, the college is welcoming 18,000 students this fall, about 1,000 more than last year.

"We've done exceptionally well, especially after 9-11 when we thought, 'My goodness, we're going to lose all these students,"' said college President Antonio Perez. The increase is partly a function of the economy. "Traditionally when the economy is down, community colleges do better," Perez said.

The main campus of the college, part of the City University of New York system, is about two blocks from the World Trade Center site. Pieces of 7 World Trade Center knocked holes in 15-story Fiterman Hall, and the collapse of the towers covered the campus in dust and debris.

No one was killed on campus in the attack, but it took the lives of students and alumni who worked in the towers or served in the rescue effort. They were to be remembered in a ceremony at the college Wednesday, the anniversary of the attack.

Playboy penalty upheld at Baylor U.

(U-WIRE) WACO, Texas — The decision to suspend the fraternity Sigma Phi Epsilon for its involvement in a Playboy magazine photo shoot in April has been upheld, but that may not be the end of the story.

Ty Sheehan, a San Antonio senior and president of the fraternity, said the group would most likely appeal the yearlong suspension to President Robert B. Sloan Jr., who, according to the student handbook, is their last hope. Sloan has the choice of letting the sanction stand, modifying the sanction or suspending the sanction.

Meanwhile, the decision of Dr. Eileen Hulme, vice president of student life, to suspend the organization has several implications. Tam Dunn, coordinator of greek life, said this decision excludes them from intramurals and recruitment, not to mention mixers and wearing organization T-shirts on campus.

Although they will not be allowed to function as a regular campus organization, the suspension did include some provisions in the decision to soften the blow: the fraternity will be allowed to hold monthly business meetings beginning next semester, which will enable them to reorganize for the next year.

Time Can Help College Accounts

NEW YORK (AP) - For many Americans, the slumping stock market has dealt a double blow: Their retirement accounts have tanked, and so have college savings accounts they set up for their children's education.

Repairing the damage to education accounts can be a bit trickier than for retirement savings because parents often don't have as much time to recoup.

Parents with young kids needn't be too frantic because they can wait for the market to recover, experts say. But those with teenagers may need to consider some disaster recovery strategies if they have tuition payments due soon.

Among the most popular education accounts are the Section 529 college savings plans, which take their name from Section 529 of the U.S. tax code. Sponsored by states, they allow parents and grandparents to invest in a variety of stock and fixed-income accounts. Savings grow tax free, and earnings are exempt from federal taxes when they're withdrawn for a child's education expenses. There can be state tax breaks, too.

Lew DeRisi, MetLife director for retirement and savings, said most education accounts haven't been as hard-hit by the down market as retirement accounts.

"The savers are parents and grandparents, and they tend to be more conservative in investments in college programs because there's a child involved," he said. "They've made a promise (to fund education) and they don't want to renege."

WORLD NEWS

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Violence After Pinochet Anniversary

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) - Police arrested 445 people in Chile's capital Thursday after a night of demonstrations and clashes marking the 29th anniversary of the military coup led by Gen. Augusto Pinochet.

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The anniversary itself, Wednesday, passed without violence this year, in part because it was not a holiday as in the past. But violence erupted overnight and early Thursday, especially in Santiago's working class suburbs, where demonstrators put up barricades of burning tires at several intersections.

Police moved in with water cannon and tear gas. Demonstrators replied by throwing rocks and Molotov cocktails. Sporadic shots were heard at some of the demonstrations, especially at Villa Francia in western Santiago, and police director Gen. Alberto Cienfuegos said four officers received bullet wounds. He said police did not use firearms.

The protests lasted into dawn and police said a number of small shops were looted, and telephones and traffic signs were destroyed.

Russia Ready to Attack Georgia

MOSCOW (AP) - Russia's military is ready to launch attacks in Georgia to flush out Chechen militants believed to be based in a remote, mountainous region, Defense Minister Sergei Ivanov warned Thursday.

Georgia has been under Russian pressure for months to take action against militants in the Pankisi Gorge, but its poorly equipped military, which has only about 17,000 men, has launched only one operation, which produced few results: the detention of 13 alleged criminals and one suspected Arab militant.

The pressure increased Thursday with the release of details of a letter President Vladimir Putin sent to world leaders outlining Russia's complaints about Georgia's inaction and asserting Russia's right to launch attacks in line with the United Nations charter enshrining countries' right to self-defense.

The Georgian parliament sent a statement late Thursday to the United Nations, NATO and other international organizations stating that Putin "has placed in front of Georgia the threat of aggression."

Three Rivals Hope to Topple Arafat

JERUSALEM (AP) - A dissident professor, a psychologist living in France and a small-town Catholic lawyer - all political unknowns - have shrugged aside the long-shot odds and announced plans to challenge Yasser Arafat in Palestinian elections next year.

The contenders - political scientist Abdel Satar Qassem, psychologist Hussam Nazal and lawyer Ghassan Barham, while seeing an opening in the once monolithic hierarchy, bring little political clout to the race.

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They hope, nevertheless, to capitalize on a wave of discontent about alleged corruption and the plunge in Arafat's popularity in advance of the elections which he set Wednesday for Jan. 20.

While both the United States and Israel want to see Arafat shoved aside, none of the challengers appeared likely to run on a platform that would make them attractive to the Jewish state or Washington. None of the trio of contenders proposes a more moderate Palestinian stand in stalemated negotiations.

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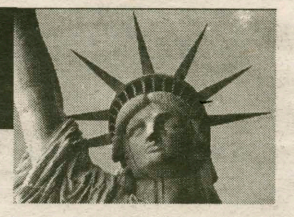

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Marker Set for Unknown 9/11 Victims

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) - In a single casket, remains that symbolically represent all 184 victims of the attack on the Pentagon were buried with full military honors Thursday at Arlington National Cemetery, the resting place of the nation's unknown soldiers.

In a quiet postscript to the nation's Sept. 11 observances, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld eulogized the dead as patriots who died "here at home, not on a faraway battlefield."

He offered special condolences to the families of five victims whose remains were never identified, and so received no other burial. They include 3-year-old Dana Falkenberg, who died aboard American Airlines Flight 77.

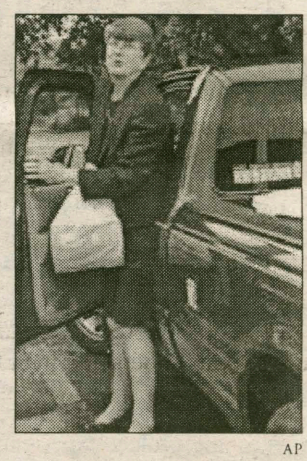
"Today, these five join the unknown of past wars even as we pursue the war that is still unfolding," Rumsfeld said, standing next to the flag-draped casket.

A granite monument with five sides, like the Pentagon, will be placed over the grave next week. It will stand on a hill with a tree-dappled view of the spot where the hijacked jet smashed into the Pentagon.

Names of all 184 victims are inscribed on the 4-foot-5-inch-tall marker.

Board: Automatic Recount Not Needed

MIAMI (AP) - Bill McBride moved one step closer to the Democratic nomination for governor Thursday as state election officials said there would be no need for an automatic recount in Florida's bungled primary against Janet Reno.



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The state canvassing board said McBride's margin over Reno exceeded the half of a percentage point necessary to avoid a machine recount of more than 1.3 million votes cast Tuesday.

McBride's unofficial margin was 8,196 votes, according to the state. Reno needed a difference of 6,751 votes or less for the recount.

McBride spokesman Alan Stonecipher said the campaign was waiting to see what Reno does before claiming victory.

Reno was not immediately available for comment.

According to a count by The Associated Press, McBride received 601,131 votes, or 44.5 percent, while Reno had 592,777 votes, or 43.9 percent - a difference of 8,354 votes. State Sen. Daryl Jones had 156,292 votes, or 11.6 percent.

U.S. Military Plane Wreckage Found

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) - U.S. Navy search teams found the wreckage of a military plane that crashed into the Caribbean Sea off Puerto Rico, and all three servicemen on board were believed dead, the Navy said Thursday.

Searchers spotted the wreckage at dusk Wednesday some 25 miles southeast of Puerto Rico, said Cmdr. Ernest Duplessis, a spokesman for the U.S. Second Fleet in Norfolk, Va.

Human remains were found amid the wreckage. Navy ships and helicopters continued to search Thursday for additional remains and wreckage.

The military lost radio contact with the Navy S-3B Viking jet about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday during an in-flight refueling exercise off the island of Vieques.

The $27 million plane, used for in-flight refueling and sea surveillance, had taken off from the USS Harry Truman aircraft carrier off the U.S. territory's east coast.
It was in the air for about an hour before it disappeared, Duplessis said.

The cause of the crash was under investigation, the Navy said. No severe weather was reported in the area, the weather service said.

The servicemen on the plane were identified as pilot Lt. J.G. Thomas McCombie, 25, of State College, Pa.; Lt. Cmdr. Jeffrey Gray, 40, of Mound, Minn.; and Lt. Cmdr. Michael Chalfant, 36, of Jacksonville, Fla.

College mourns 9-11 victims a year after

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ened the events of last September to those of November, 1963, when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated, his death publicized and seen by millions "over and over and over again."

President Tobin commented, "Each of us is affected to the deepest core of our humanity," and reminded the group that this was a time for "reflection and remembrance," as well as the "inexhaustible spirit of solidarity" he witnessed a year ago.

In his closing remarks, President Tobin reminded the crowd "to treat every day as precious, to cherish our time together, and most importantly, let's try to live lives worthy of the sacrifices of those we have lost."

In front of 300 mourners, the Hamilton College Choir closed the vigil with a performance of the Quaker folk hymn "How Can I Keep From Singing," under the direction of Professor of Music G. Roberts Kolb.

In the spirit of September 11, the College placed special emphasis on September 12 as a day of new beginnings. In the morning, Beinecke Village became a hub for community service opportunities. Voter registration took place, as well as sign-ups for a blood drive to be held on September 24 here at Hamilton. Later that evening, HAVOC sponsored a community service fair in the Fillius Events Barn, providing information about various service opportunities in and around Hamilton.

In the spirit of September 12, President Tobin said, "I encourage each of us to collectively renew our idea of citizenship." Part of this citizenship includes giving back to the local and national communities. For more information about Hamilton Action Volunteers Outreach Coalition, please contact Mary Margaret High, Erin Hummel, or Emily Backman.

Amended recycling program aims to "eliminate confusion"

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cling Plant to stay informed about what products can and can't be recycled," Stringer said.

The new positions are part of Hamilton's newly revamped recycling program. Hamilton worked together with students to make recycling on campus easier and more user-friendly. Bardenett was given a grant from the school to live on campus this summer and brainstorm. She visited Dartmouth and Middlebury Colleges and studied the well-respected recycling programs at each.

"I was really impressed with the organization and structure they had. I did a tour of both of their facilities and got to look at their progress. One key feature was paid interns and volunteers. Our system at Hamilton is a combination of the two programs," Bardenett said.

Bardenett and the Recycling Committee collaborated with Physical Plant to ensure that any changes they made would be uniform.

"We have changed the garbage receptacle to a larger round barrel and placed a grey bag in them to indicate garbage. All other recycling containers are square and have a clear bag," said Terry Hawkridge, assistant director, Physical Plant.

The amended recycling system hopes to eliminate confusion among students.

"There were hundreds of bins with separate labels around campus, but every bin was being used as a garbage can," said Stringer.

Now, recycling bins throughout campus are divided into three separate categories: "5 Cent Deposit," "Paper Group," and "Container Group," each clearly labeled with generic signs. All recyclables are sent to the recycling yard at Physical Plant, and from there, on to the Oneida Herkimer County Recycling Plant. The clear plastic bags will enable custodians as well as workers at both facilities to better distinguish between garbage and recyclables.

PHOTO BY ANA GRITTEN '04

Dania Ramos '03 recycles her styrofoam cups. Do you?

One final addition to Hamilton's recycling procedures is the much hyped "blue bins" that have been distributed to every dorm room on campus. These bins are included on the room inventory and will be reused in future years.

"People should put all their recyclables, whether it be soda cans, paper, or Commons coffee cups, into their blue bin. Once the blue bin gets full of recyclables, people have to take the blue bin to the nearest bin station and sort out the contents into the proper bins," Stringer said.

The Blue Bins are merely temporary containers that help prevent recyclables from being thrown into the regular garbage receptacles.

It is currently too early to judge the success of the new recycling program, but all are optimistic.

"If the student body stays involved, the program will succeed. I cannot understate the value of the student component, and I can only hope it passes from class to class," Hawkridge stated.

"In the short run, we expect the percentage of waste being recycled at Hamilton to increase significantly under the new program. In the long run, we hope to not only change the way Hamilton recycles, but also the way Hamilton thinks about recycling," Clarke said.

Campus, county build lighted walkways on North, Loop roads

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to be replaced. Thus, this stage of the construction is a county-funded project, which includes replacing the drainage structure and then widening the road.

On Thursday morning, however, the project experienced its first difficulty: a power outage.

"The outage was caused by the new switchgear being hit by the new construction equipment," said Terry Hawkridge, Assistant director of Physical Plant.

According to Hawkridge, the accident caused a new high-voltage line going to the Science Building to shortout. As a result, all of the power to the north side of campus had to be turned off so the new switchgear could be opened up and the damage evaluated.

The outage, which began at approximately 11:30 a.m., affected every building on the north side of campus, including Bristol, Bundy, and the Burke Library.

"We tried quickly to let everyone know that the power was out," Hawkridge added. "However, the outage still had an effect on many people on campus."

While power was restored to the north side of campus by 12:00 p.m., the Science Building remains, at press time, without power.

"The emergency power equipment in the Science Building is running right now," Hawkridge explained. "We anticipate that the outage will last no longer than 24 hours. In other words, power will be restored by tomorrow."

Problems aside, the county believes that the initial stage of the project should be complete within three weeks, at which time the road will be re-opened.

After the county is done, the college will then add a walkway and lights to Campus Road between the turf field and North Lot, which Bellona anticipates should be completed by October 11th.

While the road is closed, students and others wishing to access the athletic facilities can take a detour from Norton Avenue to Campus Road to Loop Road. The Campus Road athletic fields and all buildings south of the turf field will continue to be accessed from College Hill Road.

In addition, students should avoid walking down the road, as the county will be digging down over 30 feet to replace the culvert, and there will be a variety of heavy equipment in the area. Students can still safely walk down Loop Road to avoid the construction.

In the future, Bellona said that once the new Science Building is completed, lighted pathways will extend to there as well. Physical Plant will also be looking into installing sprinkler systems over the summer in dorms on the south side of sampus, as well as in Kirkland and DKE. Also being considered for next summer is the possible renovation of North Dorm.

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This College Hill Road sign warns drivers of the impending road closure ahead. The construction being carried out will result in a widened road and lighted walkways on both North and Loop roads. The College expects the road construction to last for three weeks.

Levitt lecture series to discuss social, economic aspects of immigration

*from **Immigration**, page 2*

globalization phenomenon," said one sophomore seminar student.

In addition to Borjas, the panel is bringing four other speakers, William Julius Wilson, Douglas Massassy, Raja Halwama, and a panel of local Bosnian and Sudanese refugees. "Students have formed opinions about immigration, and we bring the best scholars in the field to help the students evaluate their opinion," said Hagstrom in reference to the other speakers.

William Julius Wilson, who speaks on September 30, is a sociology professor at Harvard and has been declared by *Time Magazine* to be one of the 25 most influential people in America. He specializes in race and the underclass and will be talking about immigration's effect on racial neighborhoods and the conflict it can create.

On October 14, Douglas Massassy, the president of the American Sociological Association, will speak about his latest book, *Beyond Smoke and Mirrors: Mexican Immigration in an Era of Economic Integration.*

Integrating politics into the sociological and economic aspects of immigration, Raja Halwama will speak about a just solution to the Israeli and Palestinian conflict.

In contrast to the analytical scholarly perspective presented by the other speakers, the panel of refugees will speak to their own experience of transplantation and adjusting to American culture as a conclusion to the series.

Editorial
The Spectator

Editorial:

A year has passed here on the Hill. Last September, during the third week of the fall semester, a tragedy happened 250 miles away, the shockwaves of which were felt acutely here at Hamilton College. Three Hamilton alumni were lost that day, and the lives of countless Hamilton students were touched in some way, however small.

This Wednesday the College remembered September 11, 2001, with a number of touching, low-key events that encouraged reflection and put much of the college world, which can get so crazy with grades and friends and beers, into perspective. Once again televisions were moved into the dining halls so that students could watch the memorials taking place across the country without having to be in their rooms glued to their own TVs. There is nothing that could possibly make it easier to watch something like the reading of the names of the WTC victims than watching it with friends in a friendly place.

Then, at 10:29 a.m., Hamilton joined the rest of the country in the ringing of bells. The Chapel bell tolled a seemingly appropriate number of times, as bells tolled throughout New York City; Washington, D.C.; Shanksville, PA; and in just about every city, town, and village in the United States. Broadcasting the ringing of the bells on Hamilton's very own TV station enabled residents of such far-away dorms as G-Road and MacIntosh to hear the bells, as well as any North or South resident.

The candlelight service was very tastefully done, and well attended. The walk was beautiful. The time of day was perfect. The wind was troublesome, but more important than whether or not your candle stayed lit from the breezeway to the library was the fact that people came together to comfort each other and remember.

President Eugene Tobin gave a very appropriate and timely speech, in part honoring the three alumni who lost their lives in New York City's World Trade Center one year ago. Beautiful flute music wafted through the Quad, and even students who weren't walking in the ceremony emerged from their dorms to see the beautiful sight of candles (lit and unlit) being carried with care across the campus.

The day was not showy, it wasn't loud, and it wasn't overly flashy. It was subdued, it encouraged reflection, and it made the day a little easier to get through. Exactly what everyone needed.

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Letter to the Editor:

To the Editor:

Iam writing with regard to the editorial that was recently published in the first issue of The Spectator. Ever since I was young, I can remember my mother and father avidly reading The New York Times. My father read it in the morning before he went to work, and my mother liked to open it as she settled down to bed. They read the Times because of the caliber of the writing; they read it because they wished to be informed readers; but they read it mostly for the sake of good journalism. My mother, who worked as a reporter for a major New Jersey newspaper for over five years, understood good journalism to be writing that is informed and researched, provocative and unbiased. Her standards, which she firmly passed on to me, are not unreasonable, nor do they deviate from the average newspaper reader's standard. As I opened the cover of the Spectator, I was saddened to find the Letter to the Editor to be void of most aspects of good journalism that I have come to appreciate. While I recognize the difference between an Editor's letter and any other news article, I am certain both should share a consistency for accuracy. As it should, this week's Editor's letter addressed a current and heated issue, however, it failed to offer well-researched facts. Subsequently, the letter presented a jilted and inaccurate image of a situation that had already been dealt with by the members of Alpha Theta Chi as well as school officials. An informed article would have found that, as a result of lengthy deliberations, which occurred last semester and into the summer, appropriate measures have already been taken to ensure that Alpha Theta Chi has been penalized for the events of last semester. I commend The Spectator for keeping students updated and informed about the decision that affect the student body, but I implore the reporters of the paper and most especially the Editor, to exhaust every source and research every fact, before the paper prints and subsequently supports a mistruth.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Aibel '04

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Students concerned about treatment in town

*from **Zero Tolerance**, page 1*

people raising concerns at the meeting] are people whose opinions I greatly respect."

In response, Goering has asked Chief of the Kirkland Police Dan English to follow a "zero-tolerance" policy with regards to student behavior downtown, meaning that all laws will be strictly enforced. In particular, explained English at a meeting with some of the students living off-campus, if a resident of Clinton signs an official complaint about noise or a party, then all students involved will be arrested. In such cases, the owners of the house will be charged with criminal nuisance, and all others present at the party will be charged with disorderly conduct. In addition, if the students involved are under 21, then additional charges could be issued.

"Zero-tolerance is really my word, and it's partly for effect," said Goering. "Does it mean that they are going to crack down all the time? No. But does it mean that when it's three in the morning and someone's still got their music blasting and people over the police aren't going to be lenient? Yeah."

English, along with Director of Campus Safety Pat Ingalls, has spent the past two weekends trying to be "proactive and preventative" and inform students about the laws that apply to them as residents of Clinton. The two stopped by almost all of the off-campus residences to talk with tenants.

Despite their efforts, said English, the police department had to break up parties at at least five separate residences; some of the calls required the officers to come to the house more than once.

"There's a definite trend [over the past few years] toward seeing a disregard for the time of day and the noise level around the village," said English.

English attributes the increased problems, in part, to a societal attitude perpetuated by commercials that tells people to "go out, do it, enjoy it."

"There's an emphasis on 'live hard, play hard,' but that can't be the motto of the clientele in the Village at midnight. Other people don't have the luxury of going out late like that," said English.

Ingalls agrees that the increasing number of incidents in Clinton mirrors an increased level of student disrespect overall, pointing out that the number of incidents of vandalism, noise complaints, and littering on campus have increased as well.

"It's across the board, it's society. There's a different outlook. They [students coming to college] look forward to socializing, but they don't know the parameters yet. We need to communicate those to them," said Ingalls.

In addition, says Ingalls, many of the students don't appreciate the consequences of their actions. "The expectation is that we [the College] will pick it up after them, but if we do that, then we're not teaching them anything," she said.

Jeff Landry, director of Residential Life, disagrees that the problem is a fairly new one, or substantially more serious than in the past. "I don't think that the students have changed in the past seven years. It's just that the problem used to be confined more to the campus," he said. Landry points out that when he worked at Hamilton for a short time before the abolition of the fraternity houses, large unchecked parties led to many problems; however, these problem students were less visible in the town.

The residents of Clinton are not the only ones with concerns. Many of the students living off-campus this year say that they are being blamed for problems that have occurred in the past and noise created by students visiting the bars, not those in the houses.

"The fact that there are arrests is disconcerting, but instead of blaming all students, we need to focus on the small group of trouble makers who are making it hard for the rest of the responsible students to enjoy themselves," said Maurice Michaane '03, president of Student Assembly pro temp.

"We, as Hamilton students, inherited an unfortunate legacy. You're looking for us to fail," said Katie Farnsworth at a meeting with English, Goering, and a number of college administrators.

Another student, frustrated because her apartment, which is near the Rok, was blamed for creating noise that was eventually determined to be coming from the bar, said, "We should be able to interact with each other. This school is so great because of Clinton, and Clinton is so great because of Hamilton."

English, Ingalls, Mitchell, and Landry agree that the problem is not limited to those students living off-campus. "Off-campus housing is maybe 30% of the problem. It's the maybe 200 students coming out of the Rok and the VT and going to the houses or to the jitney stop that are causing a lot of it," said Landry.

In addition, points out Ingalls, the number of students enrolled at Hamilton this year has increased. "You can't add 100 more students and not have more activity, both good and bad," she said.

Mayor Goering admits that many of the students are being unfairly blamed. "Some people are going to bed early, being quiet, and not causing any problems, but they're being painted with the same brush. And I'm the one carrying the paint can. Is it fair? No, but life's not fair," he said.

In addition, to their concerns about being unfairly blamed by community members, many of the students also say that they have experienced harassment at the hand of the Kirkland Police Department. "I think that people are trying to bully us around because we're college students. If there's a specific complaint from someone, then it's okay, but if they're just driving around looking for any gatherings they can find, then that's not right," said one of the students living off-campus.

One group of students who live on Fountain Street accused the police of patrolling by their house over 20 times in the past weekend.

English says that the students may, in part, be misinterpreting what is standard practice. For the Fountain Street residents, he explained, officers regularly park on the street, even when the college is not in session, because they can easily see the intersection and stop sign and the park. In addition English lives on the street and is therefore on the street frequently.

Other locations near student residences are also utilized throughout the year for radar surveillence purposes.

English also points out that the laws being enforced are not new or aimed only at the students. In particular, the open container laws have been on the books since 1977, and the noise ordinances have been around since the 1940s.

"We don't have quotas and stipends based on arrests. We don't get promotions because of them, just a lot of paper work," said English.

If students have questions about any of the village's, town's, or state's laws, they can go to the village board or the New York State homepage.

Ingalls says that neither Campus Safety nor the Kirkland Police are trying to create problems for students. "We're not out to get them. If they were being respectful, then we wouldn't be talking right now," she said. "The bottom line is that behavior dictates response."

However, says English, the residents of Clinton have demanded that the police officers be a more visible presence in the village, especially late at night, so students can be expecting to see more officers out for the time being. The number of night patrols has been increased, including adding an extra car, as well as having two shifts held over later and one car coming early.

English hopes that this increased presence early on will prevent problems in the future and allow him to return to the normal number of patrols.

Another student complaint is that the traffic downtown will not decrease until a different type of social space is provided on-campus. In particular a student at one meeting suggested that fraternity houses be reinstated.

Landry said that the College will not be creating houses for societies, but that the possibility of other types of specialty housing, based on academic interests, is being considered. In addition, Landry says that he understands that for some of the students the types of social spaces provided downtown better fit the way they socialize.

"We're not going to build a party house, but I understand their point," said Landry.

Despite his hardline approach, Goering also hopes that many of the problems can be proactively prevented. "If there's a problem at 3 a.m. and arrests have to be made, then we've lost the battle. We have to get out in front of things," he said.

The Students Assembly Open Forum next Tuesday, which English will attend, is one way the college administration, along with the KPD and the mayor, is trying to proactively combat the problem.

"I'm encouraged that at least everyone involved is ready to talk. We've clearly defined the problem; now we need to start discussing some solutions," said Goering.

TKE Event Raises Money for NY State Fire Departments

by Jonathan Parker '04
CONTRIBUTING NEWS WRITER AND MEMBER OF TKE

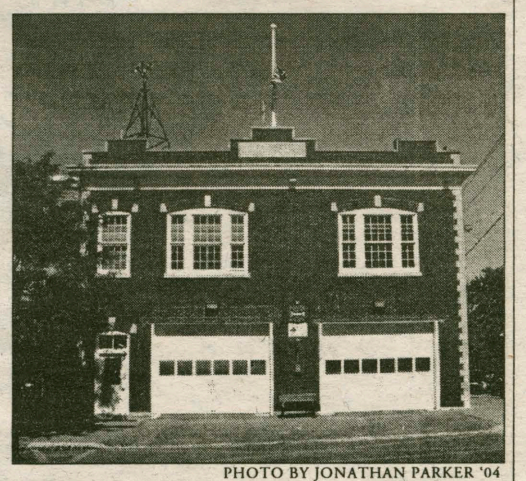
The Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity organized a daylong fundraising drive as part of the campus-wide recognition of September 11th last Wednesday. The fraternity worked throughout the day in the Beinecke Village raising over $325 in donations from students and faculty. The funds will be distributed early next week between the Clinton and New York City Fire Departments, with the majority of the donations going to the Clinton Department.

TKE was one of two Greek societies on campus that organized an event to commemorate the one-year anniversary. TKE officer Eric Bowman '04 commented that the fraternity organized the event "because it was, plain and simple, the right thing to do considering the one year anniversary of the attacks."

The fraternity decided to split the proceeds between the two fire departments to show support for the local community and to remind the NYC department that their heroism a year ago had not been forgotten. The brothers collecting donations were impressed, but not surprised, by the generosity of the Hamilton community. "Whatever your feelings might be, I think giving back to the community is something that everyone should do, whether they were directly affected by the tragedy or not. The response by everyone today is a great example of this," said Koert Wehberg '04.

Clinton Fire Chief John Nester will be presented with the donation in a ceremony at the firehouse next week. The proceeds from the TKE event will be a welcome addition to the funds already accumulated during the Fire Department's annual fundraising drive. Clinton Mayor Robert G. Goering was pleased to hear about the donation. "This is great news. That is the kind of spirit between the village and Hamilton that we need," said the Mayor.

The remaining donations will be distributed to the New York Firefighters 9-1-1 Disaster Relief Fund, a fund designed to assist the families of firefighters who lost family members during the attack. "In the aftermath of this tragedy, the families of our fallen brothers and sisters shouldn't have to worry about money," said Vinnie Bollon, General Secretary-Treasurer of the International Association of Fire Fighters.



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Current facade of the Clinton Fire Department.

"The New York Firefighters 9-11 Disaster Relief Fund will make sure they get the assistance they need."

The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon thank everyone in the Hamilton community who donated during the event and came out to commemorate the anniversary of September 11th.

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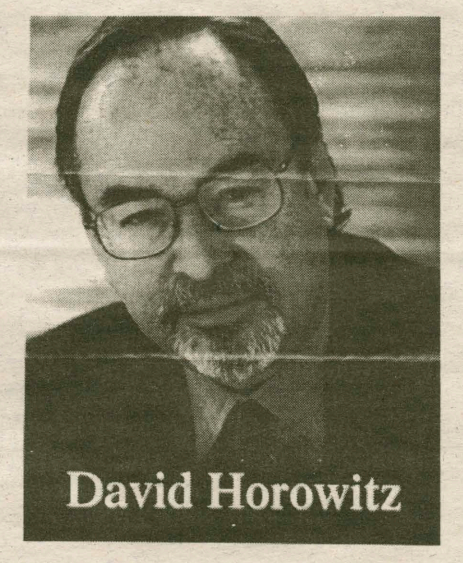
Prominent conservative activist and writer David Horowitz will be coming to campus Wednesday, September 18th, at the invitation of the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center, the Department of History, and the Dean of the Faculty. Horowitz is the author of many books, including Radical Son: A Generational Odyssey, and co-author of Destructive Generation: Second Thoughts About the 60's. He is the director of the Center for the Study of Popular Culture, which publishes the online magazine Frontpagemagazine.com.


David Horowitz

On September 18th, at 7:30 in the Red Pit, he will be debating/discussing with Hamilton historian Maurice Isserman the topic "Can the Left and the Right Find Anything To Agree on About the 1960s?" Everyone is welcome, and there will be ample opportunity for audience participation in the discussion.

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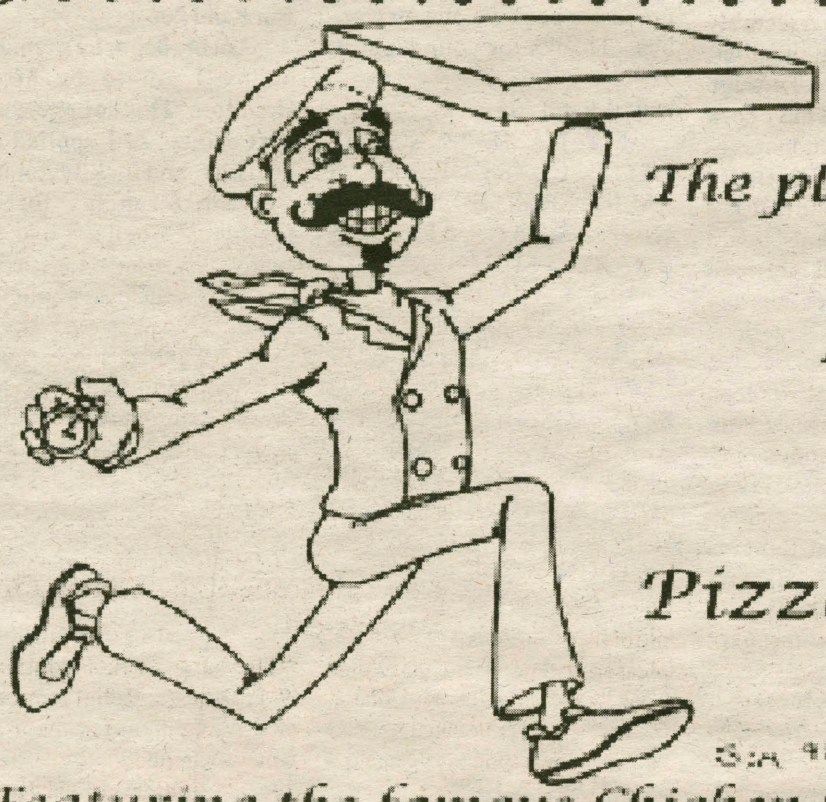

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Amanda Chase '03 for President & Jordan Burns '03 for Vice-President

In running for president and vice-president of student assembly, we hope to create a more inclusive student assembly. To accomplish this task, we intend to actively facilitate input from a wide range of students. Consequently, the student assembly will become a truly representative institution and facilitate increased campus unity. We understand that drastic changes cannot occur within a semester, but we hope to create a foundation for a more united campus.

In keeping with the theme of a more open student assembly, we would like to begin our candidacy by soliciting input from any student with questions or comments regarding our candidacy. You can contact Jordan at jtburns@hamilton.edu or Amanda at achase@hamilton.edu. Additionally, you will see us throughout the coming weeks promoting our candidacy, during which you can feel free to discuss any campus issues.

Jon Bellona '03 for President & Robert Pucko '03 for Vice President

Observing the campus and serving the community as Resident Advisors for the past three years, we possess an insight into understanding the student body's needs.

We stand for diversity and inclusive representation in the Hamilton
community; and believe in striving for a community devoid of inequality, ignorance, and prejudice that affects all free aspiring individuals. It is through challenging our own beliefs that will allow for greater awareness and appreciation of our immense multi-dimensional student body. Through increased student funding, joint organization activities, and proactive programs for the student, we believe we can begin to hale a robust community.

It is our commitment to the entire student body to have equal and just representation for all individuals and groups on campus. A main goal for our administration is to further promote accessibility and communication within the student government towards the entire student body. Because we strongly believe that there currently is a disenfranchisement between the student body and student government, it is our intention to increase communications toward the student body at large in order to represent the diverse views and opinions of the campus.

Transcend politics and vote Jon Bellona '03 President, and Robert Pucko '03 Vice President.

Schuyler Gellatly '03 for President & Amanda Gengeler '03 for Vice President

As a current member of the Judicial Board, Co-Captain of the Men's Soccer Team, and a previous class of '03 representative, I have been elected to positions of leadership within the Hamilton community. If elected I will use my leadership skills to foster and promote diversity events on campus and will actively work towards solving our college's deteriorating relations with Clinton due to DWIs and rude behavior in the village; proactive measures need to be taken and Amanda Gengler and I want to lead these efforts. Amanda Gengler and I have the academic and social skills needed to best represent our student body in this interim period and we will work with the administration and trustees to make Hamilton the place that you want it to be. Our college needs some progressive leaders to stir things up and Amanda Gengelr and I are your pair!

Graham Stevens '04 for President & Vicky '04 for VP

Being two members of the junior class at Hamilton, we have had the chance to observe many pressing issues that we feel need to be actively addressed. Running for the top student office positions will give us the chance to represent the college community and provide the student assembly and the college as a whole with well-rounded approaches to all issues. Although we would hold office for a brief ten-week term, we could make progress in three specific problem areas. The social lull on campus will be dealt with promptly. We will work to create the happening scene that Hamilton was once famous for. There are untapped resources that the school offers, and in a joint effort we can revamp the existing(or non-exisiting) social scene. Secondly, another issue that must be handled is the living situation. We will do everything in our power to either influence building new dorms or properly renovate existing living spaces. Lastly, the need for a more active student body is a main concern that needs to change. We are unhappy with the present and are concerned about the future and we understand what the students want. We can change this if given the chance. Together we will represent our school and its population well. Vicky and Graham can make a difference during your Hamilton experience.

Appeals Board Representative

Martine Kalaw '03

Hello. My name is Martine Kalaw and I want to thank you in advance for considering me for the position of Hamilton Appeals Board Representative. Hamilton students should be cognizant of their right to appeal Judicial Board decisions and have cases fairly assessed without biases. As a senior member of the Hamilton student body, I have extensive experience with various political and social groups, and I have no preconceived biases. I consider myself to be a truly open-minded person. My ability and experience in interacting with the different branches that constitute the Hamilton community strengthens my knowledge about Hamilton College rules and regulations. As I am also familiar with the majority of the Hamilton student population, I can better relate to student circumstances. Furthermore, my good judgment and law-abiding nature will allow me to fairly assess judicial hearings. I would like the responsibility of helping to maintain justice in our existing Hamilton community by serving as an Appeals Board Representative.

Matt Harrison '03

I am a senior and active member of the Hamilton community as a Student Assembly member, Fraternity member, and varsity athlete. Through my three years here, I have seen many cases where students received unfair Judicial Board hearings. My commitment as a member of the appeals board will be to insure Judicial Board issued sanctions are fair and appropriate. Severe sanctions such as suspension can have an extremely detrimental affect on a young student's life. Every student here has something valuable to contribute to Hamilton. I want to help them recognize those contributions instead of negatively affecting their future. As a member of the appeals board, I will regard each case independently and exhaust all other options before agreeing to a student's separation from the college. I am in favor of bringing our Hamilton community closer together, not tearing it further apart.

Amy Wolk '03

I want to be a member of the Hamilton College Appeals Board in order to participate in the governing of the student body. Hamilton's standards of excellence are important to me. I believe that in being a member of the Appeals Board, I will take an active role in upholding these standards for both the appellant and the members of the Honor Court/Judicial Board.

I am an open-minded just individual and have good listening and deductive reasoning skills. As a well-rounded and active member of the Hamilton College community, I am a good candidate for this position. In my years at Hamilton I have been a student, athlete of varsity and club sports, served as an officer for a recognized campus sorority, and served a term as an ISC representative. Although I have not had experience as a member of either the Honor Court or the Judicial Board, I understand and respect the regulations of the Student Handbook and the rights of the Constitution of the Student Body.

Nick Sarro-Waite '03

My name is Nick Sarro Waite, and I am a senior at Hamilton. I have served on the appeals board before and I know how the system works. I want to be there so that we, the students, have a reasonable voice in the judicial system. We all know how Hamilton perceives student activities today, and I want to be the person providing the counter balance to a tough stance on behavior. I assure you I will be totally fair and just, and that I will work extremely hard make the judicial process a positive one on campus. Thanks for your support.

Nakul Patel '05

MY NAME IS NAKUL PATEL, CLASS OF 2005. I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING AS AN APPEALS BOARD MEMBER BECAUSE I WANT TO VOICE A STUDENT PERSPECTIVE IN J-BOARD AND HONOR COURT REVIEWS. I SERVED AS A "DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE" HIGH SCHOOL, MEANING I WAS ONE OF TWO STUDENTS, WHO, IN ADDITION TO 3 FACULTY MEMBERS, DECIDED ALL DISCIPLINARY PUNISHMENTS. GIVEN THAT EXPERIENCE, I FEEL WELL QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS AN APPEALS BOARD MEMBER.

Class of 2004 Honor Court

Mia Lehmkuhl '04

The Honor Code is one of Hamilton's most unique and beneficial teaching approaches. But its effectiveness is dependent upon our community's cooperation. It is the power of the honor court that determines the strength of the honor code. As a member of the honor court I will work diligently to uphold these policies. My biggest aim is to fight against plagiarism. I think it is very important for students to develop their own ideas and take pride in them. I would like to be an honor court member to ensure that this happens while remaining fair and objective. Vote for me to add strength to our college's finest ideal.

William DeRosa '04

The Honor Code is one of the oldest and fundamental doctrines of Hamilton College. The enforcement of the Honor Code, I believe, should not be taken lightly. I feel, as a member of a Greek society, that I can bring a different point of view to the Honor Court - one which places greater scrutiny on the allegations of each case. I, believe that the proper enforcement of the Honor Code is a vital mechanism of Hamilton's student government. The Honor Court has a reputation that must be upheld and I feel that I have the attributes to properly enforce the stipulations of the Honor Code. If elected as the Class of 2004 representative, I will strive to make positive contributions to the academic integrity of this college. Vote Bill Derosa for Class of 2004 Honor Court representative.

Class of 2006 President

Jon Kuhl '06

Let me begin by saying how happy I am to be here at Hamilton. This college was my first choice, so I applied early decision, and luckily got in. So why am I running for class president? I believe that these four years we have together will be some of the best of our lives; I simply want to add to that. I plan to organize some weekend trips to Montreal and NYC, bring some guest speakers everyone can appreciate, and work to make freshmen parking a reality. The inconveniences that the current policy places on many of us are ridiculous, especially when you consider the space surrounding Hamilton. In addition to these ideas, I am dedicated to the responsibilities accompanying this position and the work it entails. This is our class and our college, we can shape it. I look forward to meeting and working with all of you.

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Student Assembly Candidate Platforms

Amy Conroy '06

Give it to me: every qualm, every problem. Tell me every worry and crisis. Fill me in on your dilemmas, predicaments and just plain annoyances. Yell at me, vent your frustration at the school and your situation all at me. It's OK, because as your Class President, your issues are my issues. This isn't comprised of planks other than your own. You don't need someone making decisions for you, that's why there's a student assembly. You want someone to help you. That's what I'll be. I'm just your responsible middle man, class of 2006, to make sure your voice is heard.

Jessica Glidden '06

As the largest class ever to enter Hamilton's doors, I believe it is vital for the class of 2006 to have a strong leader. Thus, I am going to take the platform for helping our class unify and ultimately become the strongest and most influential graduating class we can all be. My goal, if elected president, is to be the voice of the freshman class. Meaning, I want to know what concerns you have and what issues you feel deserve attention at the student assembly meetings. So, a vote for Jessica Glidden is not for unrealistic promises, but rather, for a strong commitment to the class of 2006.

Spencer Soloway '06

I don't like to shave. Since school started, my ultra-hip Mach 3 has sat in my suitcase. I'd rather grow my tri-colored, ugly beard than pick up my razor.

Now, you're probably thinking, "Who cares?" Well, you see, I like things to be easy. If elected, I'd work to make life more comfortable for everyone.

There should be campus card readers on every soda and laundry machine, not just some. There's nothing worse than losing your key. That's why we should replace room keys with keypads. Our meal plan doesn't work at Cafe Opus. Let's change that. Let's get communal printers in the dorms so we don't have to trek to the library in five feet of snow.

These are just some of the plausible things we can do to make life a little easier for everyone. We are the people and we can get it done. So why not?

Alice Francis '06

The platform I intend to run on is a platform of protection, not one of extraordinary change. When I first visited Hamilton some of the things I was attracted to were the outstanding professors, great classroom facilities, small classes, and the inviting library setting. But these wonderful things require attention and maintenance to keep them running in the top form that I've become familiar with in the few weeks I've gotten to love Hamilton as my college.

I'm a musician and so the arts opportunities were important to me. But we all have our particular interests that the conditions at Hamilton provide inspiration and support for. I want to see to it that those conditions give us the easiest access to the studies and activities we love. It is my intention to make certain that our year as freshman produces the happiest, best academically prepared, most cohesive, freshman class at Hamilton.

Alex Taddei '06

My intentions for being President of the Class of 2006 are few but far reaching. I am the "middle of the road" candidate. I intend to work hard while knowing how to have fun. I intend to bring change for the betterment of my class without shaking the foundations of this fine establishment. I also see the social structure here at Hamilton College as a serious issue. As President of the Class of 2006, I would attempt to tear down the walls between the classes and unite the student body as one. I also aim to reform the Office of the Presidency, centralize power while delegating some to other members of student government and among the citizens of the Class of 2006. I plan on being a liberal conservative, a republican democrat, a reformed libertarian, a socialist that practices free enterprise. I will be the moderate President.

William Mckerchie '06

Hi, my name is William Mckerchie and I'm running for Class President. Although I have no experience in a student government, I have been around and worked with the officers of my high school. I realize that some of the other candidates my have an edge on me in experience, but I believe my will to succeed in helping my class represent itself will overshadow their accomplishments. As President I will do the best job I can to fight for and get what we the students want. I'm not going to promise things - like freshmen parking - that are unattainable. What I will promise is an open ear, and a willingness to take suggestions and criticisms from my peers. Summarily, if I am elected President I will do my part in making Hamilton College the best place it can be. Thank You.

Class of 2006 Secretary/Treasurer

Alex Kaufman'06

My platform for class secretary/treasurer is TRY. Trust, Respect, and Youthfulness. These are the only three things that I can make a campaign promise on. I will be honest with you, I do not know enough about this school to tell you what needs to be changed or what is possible to change. I will however be a trusted member of the Student Assembly. I will respect my position, the student body, and Hamilton College. My youthfulness is my willingness to look for new ideas and ways to enjoy ourselves.

Class of 2006 Representative

Daniel Horowitz '06

Hello, I'm Daniel Horowitz. I am running for Class Representative for the class of 2006. Even though some people might view this role as an insignificant position in the Student Assembly, I see it as quite the opposite. As Representative, I will make it my personal duty to have every freshman's voice heard. My door and ears will always be open to new suggestions, which I will in turn shared with the whole Student Assembly. If elected, during my first few weeks of candidacy, I plan on meeting with a large portion of the class of 2006 to hear their desires for this upcoming year. I will not lie, make false promises, or outlandish statements in order to gain this position. When you cast your vote on September-18, choose which representative(s) you feel will best suit your needs. If you're looking for an honest and supportive candidate, look no further than Daniel-Horowitz.

Sean Tice '06

I have two main objectives as class representative:
1) To act as an intermediary between our class and the student board. In a sense, the class rep "networks" ideas, proposals, and issues and brings them to the attention of those that can respond to such concerns.
2) To support and help coordinate the efforts of the class president. Executing and implementing projects requires a backbone of support, and I feel that the class representatives function to serve this purpose.
With various past and ongoing leadership responsibilities at both the
community and global level, experience dictates that I have the dedication, commitment and perseverance to consistently meet the above goals and give our class's concerns more momentum within student board decisions and projects.

Marian Lyman's '06

I will work to incorporate more ethnic variety in the dining hall food options. Work for a more varied vegetarian menu. Encourage campus diversity through speakers and events that promote such ideas.

I will keep in continuous discourse with the students I represent, listening, respecting and carefully considering each and every idea.

I will work to bring desired and diverse entertainment to the campus- i.e. movies, music, and events. To represent my class to the best of my ability.

Young Han '06

Hey, my name's Young Han, I_m from suburban Seattle, WA, and I_m hoping to become a Representative for the Class of 2006. I'd like to act as your Representative this year to support the implementation of practical changes that are high on our list of priorities, and to reflect the best ideals of our community here at Hamilton. Honestly, I don't know the full range of positions a Representative can or cannot take, but I'm thrilled at the prospect of producing meaningful results within those parameters, once I learn them. Before my move to Hamilton, I served on the board of directors of the Coalition for Instant Runoff Voting in Washington (a political organization advocating voting reform) and a minor political party in my home state. I have meaningful experience working with others to produce results. If you_d like to chat or something along those lines, I'm in Major 307, stop by and say "Hello!"

Kristen Pinna '06

As I sat down to write this proposal explaining why I am running for the position of class representative, I thought of what I could possibly say to convince you that I am the best candidate. After a large cup of coffee and several animal crackers, I came to the conclusion that I cannot persuade you to cast your ballot in my favor with promises I may not be able to keep. Certainly I would love to tell you that I can guarantee freshmen parking on campus and PE credit for intramural sports; however I know that changes of that sort are only possible with hard work and time. The only thing I can promise with confidence is my devotion to our class and the guarantee that I will represent '06 both honestly and sincerely.

Class of 2006 Judicial Board Representative

Chris Gardner '06

My name is Chris Gardner, and I am aiming to become your Judicial Board Representative for the Class of 2006. I am running for this position with the understanding that many of you may not know who or what Judicial Board actually is. This is the problem that I intend to address once initiated. Apparently, even to upperclassmen, the Judicial Board is an extremely elusive institution. I want the Hamilton community aware of who holds judicial power, and how our process works. My main argument is that some hearings may be kept open to an audience. The accused will have the right to keep the presiding closed, but there is no reason that our community should be kept in the dark from matters that concern us. It is important that we understand our judicial process, which I also intend to make more efficient. Thank you.

Class of 2006 Honor Board Representative

Sharon Hakim '06

My name is Sharon Hakim and I would like to hold a position on the Honor Court. I have experience in student organizations and was the President of my Senior Class. The Honor Code gives students freedom in their education. I feel it is important for all members of the community to uphold it. I am a firm believer in integrity, and will work hard to see that the Honor Code is upheld in order to assure a productive learning community for everyone. The trust guaranteed by the Honor Code needs to be respected. I am completely approachable if you have a suggestion or a concern and am willing to work hard for our school community, because honesty is something I believe in, and pride myself in having. Thank you and please elect me to your Honor Court, I am looking forward to getting to know all of you this year!

Suzy M. Wilson '06

As Honor Board Representative for the class of 2006, I would do my best to make the best decisions in cases involving honor code violations. I promise to help enforce the honor code, but I also promise to listen to all sides of the story before making judgments. I guarantee that, if elected, I will try my hardest to be fair to all students. Thank you.

Insights & Ideas

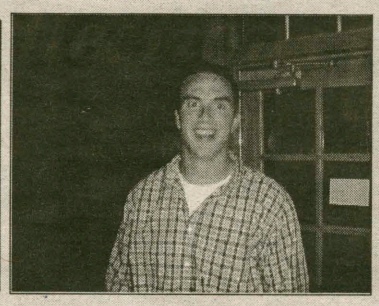
Hamilton Unscripted: What is the question of the week?

"Why is Paul P. Jones not drunk yet?"

-Katie Beaver '03

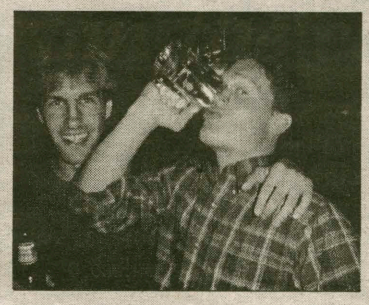
"Wait, that's what I asked you."

-Sean Fair '03



"What's Gene Tobin's daughter doing tonight?"

-Steven Larson '03



"What the f*** are you talking about?"

-Nate Rauscher '03 (right)

"What'd you say, bitch?"

-Drunk, Angry Dominican

WEEKEND HOROSCOPES

VIRGO (AUGUST 23 - SEPTEMBER 21)
YOU'VE CELEBRATED YOUR BIRTHDAY EACH WEEKEND OF THE MONTH. TAKE IT EASY AND CELEBRATE ALEX' AND JENN'S THIS WEEKEND. SHARE YOUR CHEER WITH OTHER VIRGOS. LUCKY MEDICATION: ALKA-SELTZER HANGOVER.

LIBRA (SEPTEMBER 22 - OCTOBER 22)
YOU MISSED A CLASS, YOU GOT SLAPPED IN THE FACE, YOU PISSED YOUR MOM OFF ON THE PHONE AND YOU'RE ALREADY BEHIND ON YOUR READING ASSIGNMENTS. LUCKY EMOTION: SHAME.

SCORPIO (OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 21)
WHEN IT REALLY COUNTS, WHEN YOU'RE REALLY UNDER THE PRESSURE, ALL EYES ON YOU, YOU MISS. BOTH OF YOUR THREE TURNS IN A ROW - YOU'RE A BEIRUT LOSER. LUCKY ACTIVITY: PRACTICE.

SAGITTARIUS (NOVEMBER 22 - DECEMBER 20)
THAT DRY SPELL YOU'VE BEEN EXPERIENCING WILL COME TO A SOAKING STOP. YOU'RE RECOGNIZABLY A WINNER, THE ADMIRATION FLOWS OVER YOU. LUCKY DESTINATION: WHATEVER SINGLE.

CAPRICORN (DECEMBER 21 - JANUARY 19)
THAT CUTIE WHO CAUGHT YOU STARING AT HIM/HER IN CLASS THE OTHER DAY, (S)HE'LL BUMP INTO YOU AT A ROOM PARTY THIS WEEKEND. LUCKY FLIRT MOVE: THE WINK.

AQUARIUS (JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 17)
YOUR ROOMMATE'S VISIT FROM HIS GIRLFRIEND HAS LEFT YOU SEXILED. WHERE THE ALL-NIGHT READING ROOM USED TO BE AN OPTION, NOW TRY THE ROCK SWING. LUCKY ACCESSORY: MATTRESS.

PISCES (FEBRUARY 18 - MARCH 19)
YOU THINK YOU'VE BEEN PERFECTING YOUR GAME; YOU WENT TO SANGERTOWN TO GET SOME SWEET BUTTONED-DOWN SHIRTS AT OLD NAVY. GO WORK IT IN ROOT. LUCKY PHRASE: "WHAT'S YOUR SIGN?"

ARIES (MARCH 20 - APRIL 19)
SEEKING EXOTIC STIMULATION YOU HEAD TO PAMPLONA, SPAIN, FOR THE RUNNING OF THE BULLS. YOU WILL HUSTLE AND SWEAT, BUT YOU CAN'T GAIN ENOUGH SPEED. UNLUCKY COLOR: RED.

TAURUS (APRIL 20 - MAY 19)
THE STRESS IS GETTING TO YOU, YOU DON'T SEEM TO BE ABLE TO FIND THE RIGHT OUTFIT, AND THE FIRST TWO PAPERS YOU GOT BACK - CHECKS. YOU'RE GOING TO SPONTANEOUSLY COMBUST. LUCKY PHRASE: STOP, DROP, AND ROLL.

GEMINI (MAY 20 - JUNE 20)
YOU'VE COME TO REALIZE THAT IT TAKES NO MORE THAN TWO TO GET YOU SLOPPY. INEVITABLY, YOU'LL POUND FOUR BEFORE YOU GO OUT. LUCKY COMPANION: THE PORCELAIN THRONE.

CANCER (JUNE 21 - JULY 21)
FRESHMEN, YOU THINK TOPS IS THE PLACE TO BE, THAT NICE N' EASY JUST WANTS SOME SORT OF CARD. GOTCHA! IT'S A FELONY - CALL HOME WITH THE BAD NEWS. LUCKY CHANGE: QUARTERS.

LEO (JULY 21 - AUGUST 22)
OSCAR THE PARTY CAT IS STRUGGLING FOR A MEANINGFUL EXISTENCE AS A FELINE - LEAVE HIM ALONE ALREADY! YOU'LL HAVE A CHANGE OF HEART. LUCKY TREAT: CATNIP.

THUMBS UP	THUMBS DOWN	WHO CARES?
-The 9/11 anniversary putting things in proper perspective	**- Watching your car get towed from Dunham at 5:02 on Sundays...two minutes after the 5 p.m. deadline imposed by Nazi Germany**	**- PBX turning the second floor of the library into their new sorority house**
-Raw	**- Still no red stuff at Commons**	**-The Pill**
-Tripping people	**- The Campus Road detour...more annoying than Womyn's Center emails**	**-Class trips, cool guest speakers, freshmen parking**
-Bon Appetit omelettes, the perfect elixir for a hangover	**- The mayor of Clinton...we don't like you either, slick**	**-The Cupola--Hamilton's new graphic identity**
-The return of Brianna, the best thing to happen to the Pub since bubble hockey	**-Getting citations for public intoxication**	**-This column....there comes a point in every man's life when he reaches an epiphany and says, "Hey, you know what, I'm just not funny anymore." Well, that just happened with us. See you next week though. (See, even that wasn't funny.)**
-Public intoxication	**-The sudden decline of Paul P. Jones**	
-Maintaining your bed as a love cushion despite last night's bed-wetting		

Chris Preston '03, Paul P. Jones '03 and Jordan Burns '03

I Like to Ride My Bicycle

BILL CHENEVERT '05
INSIGHTS & IDEAS EDITOR

When I was a freshman or a sophomore in high school, I got this sweet bike for Christmas. All black, twenty-one speeds, adjustable seat, it was an expensive bike. Until that Christmas I rode a Huffy while my show-off friends had GTs and Mongooses. I kept that bike for a long time, in fact I still ride that same Diamondback. I enjoy having a bike on campus, but sometimes I get looks, get made fun of, "cut up" as some may say. This is my defense of the cyclist.

Two weeks ago that five-year-old beauty was taken from the lounge of my dorm. I assume the responsibility for that blunder because I hadn't locked it up, but that was only because I tore up my house looking for last year's lock and couldn't find it for the life of me.

So I had to be temporarily without a lock for my bike. I shouldn't have been so foolish as not to have hidden it in the basement, but in a corner of my first floor lounge. Luckily, I was on my way out when I noticed that my bike hadn't been gone for more than an hour.

I did the right thing, though, because I immediately went to Campus Ssafety and reported the theft. If the bike were to turn up, then they would know whose it was. That's just what happened. The bushes of Bristol were where this poor bike was left, and it was speedily returned to its rightful owner.

The reunion was unexpected, and I was relieved that I wouldn't have to tell my parents. The next day I was down at the bookstore regretfully paying for the thirty-dollar lock. It's a Kryptonite, though, and it is really hardcore. Nobody's getting away with my bike ever again.

The lack of bike racks hurts the bike population on campus. It would be sweet if everybody brought their bikes from home here in order to make the College put some awesome bike racks in front of a few of the buildings on campus. We could have races and marathons and BMX competitions and... Whoa, sorry. But being able to hop on my bike on the extreme light side and arrive at Babbitt three minutes later is the bomb.

The trip down the hill to Bundy and Rogers is also tons of fun. The hike up is a tough one. The other night a friend and I got a reading of eighteen miles per hour on the DUI sign that used to be out in front of the Milbank parking lot. I recently realized that you can actually go through the entire breezeway easily without getting messed up by the step down. The bicycle is a rich source of good times.

I agree, Martin's way is not conducive to bicycle traffic. Now, I do my part by going around the road behind ELS and Beinecke at busy times, between classes, and during meals.

However, at five in the afternoon, there is no need to walk five-wide on the bridge while a bicyclist is crawling behind you.

If you're drunk, touching anyone's bike other than yours is probably a bad idea; think twice. Taking someone's bike for a spin and leaving it somewhere is real dumb. I've seen some gnarled front tires on a few bike racks; that's just uncalled for.

So leave my bike alone. If you know you're walking unnecessarily wide on Martin's Way in front of a bike, politely move aside.

I am not twelve years old because I enjoy a cruise on my sweet bike. Everyone could use a good bike ride here and there.

New Rabbi Good for Diversity

JENNIFER TARANSKY '03
INSIGHTS & IDEAS CONTRIBUTOR

I am happy to see Hamilton diversifying its religious community. If we are truly a campus that wants to embrace all sorts of differences, then the addition of an orthodox rabbi is a wonderful move. It is sometimes difficult to be a religious person on a campus that is generally quite secular, and I think that having a rabbi, particularly a traditionalist, legitimizes spirituality as well as organized religion of all denominations at Hamilton.

Even though Rabbi Rapoport and I both identify ourselves as Jews, we live very different lives. I am excited to learn more about a part of my religion that I am not used to.

Stepping out of the traditions in which I was raised (Conservative Judiasm) gives me an opportunity to become a more well-rounded student, which, of course, is one of the goals of a liberal arts education. Having an orthodox rabbi on campus will not force me to be more observant, or less of a "lefty," but rather will open doors for me and cause me to think more about my own spirituality, as well as the tremendous diversity within my religion. Being open-minded about diversity means being open-minded about all kinds of diversity, even diversity that we may feel threatened by in some ways.

I get the feeling that people believe that having such an observant Jew on campus will threaten the moderate-liberal, secular, academic environment that is our community.

I suppose that this is just my point. Hamilton is about creating community, with a focus on diversity.

This includes people we don't know much about. I am really excited to learn what I can from Rabbi Rapoport and to share with him my own views and ideas about Judaism. "Who is wise? He who learns from everybody" says Ben Zoma in the Mishna (Avot 4.1).

I plan on following this advice at Hamilton and carryingit with me far after I leave this institution. I feel wonderful knowing that this past week the shofar has been blown in the Root Glen, Hebrew has been spoken at convocation, and Kosher food has been eaten at an all-campus bbq.

These are things that make me feel connected to Hamilton as a Jewish person. No matter how different my traditions are from our new rabbi's, in the long run there are many more things that connect us as Jews than things that separate us.

Enough

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of Clinton or making too much noise without any fair warning.

While this zero-tolerance, no-warning mandate is harsh enough, it's easy to read between the lines and see that an even harsher decision by our own administration awaits us. Whispers about outlawing off-campus living can already be heard, and mistakes such as limiting the hours the Jitney runs could follow. Now I know such actions have not been taken and have not even been formally spoken of by the administration so it's not time to push the panic button yet.

I would simply like to offer the College one bit of advice: do not jump the gun again and make another irrational mistake. Give us the credit we deserve as the students who represent the top twenty liberal arts institution you have painstakingly built. We're smart kids and good problem-solvers-let us as students collectively figure this one out. There is no reason Hamilton students and the town of Clinton can't eventually meet half way and live together at least somewhat harmoniously. We will make sacrifices, we will negotiate, we will be on our best behavior. But please, I'm begging you, don't take another benefit away from us. For once just trust that we will wise up and do what we know is right.

"Happy" Times at Hamilton

ADAM GORDON '06
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When I first got to this school, I thought that everyone was on drugs. Something was not right. Everywhere I went, people were smiling and constantly looking cheerful. Almost every person who walked by me, people I didn't even know, had these big stupid grins on their faces.

Some of them even greeted me with a "hey," or a "how's it going?" Why did they care how it was going for me? They weren't friends or acquaintances.

I sure as hell didn't care about how their day was going. If I was in NYC and some guy random guy asked how my day was, I'd get the heck away before his next question, which would probably be "do you want to see my special friend?" So what was everyone so happy about?

Determined to get to the bottom of this mystery I thought about all the possibilities. Maybe it was just that people were extremely happy to be at a high ranking institution. No, that definitely wasn't it. Perhaps it was something in the food.

So I went to Commons, and something happened that freaked me out. One of the lunch ladies smiled at me.

For seven years a lunch lady at my old school gave me dirty looks every single day. The concept of a lunch lady (without a mustache) smiling at me totally blew me away. So it probably wasn't something in the food. And then it hit me: I was getting so many smiles and warm glances because I'm ridiculously good looking.

But then I thought about all the old men that smiled at me, and that was the end of my "stud" theory.

In desperation I said to a fellow student. "Everyone here is a rich spoiled white kid who's biggest problem is when JCREW runs out of his size. That's the happiness factor."

Though these observations could be right, I wanted to believe the cause of this "happiness" was a little deeper.

I think that the reason has to do with Hamilton's sense of community, one of the main things that brought me here.

The smallness of the college lets everyone interact, and for the most part I think everyone feels comfortable.

Unlike huge schools where people can just get lost in the crowd, that can't really happen at a place like Hamilton. I believe that the sense of comfort, and the feeling that this is a "home away from home," results in the overall "happiness." When people feel secure in their environment, they want others to feel the same.

So in a sense, each smile or happy glance is almost like a passing on of this "comfort feeling." When someone smiles while walking by he is basically saying, "I am happy, I hope you are too."

This smiling "disease" is definitely a result from the tight community here. Okay, enough of this hippy mumble jumble.

The other day while walking to class, I suddenly found myself smiling and acknowledging people in the same fashion I had been acknowledged two weeks prior.

I guess it finally rubbed off. Now it looks like I am going to have to be ultra friendly to people. Damn. No, but seriously, I'll try to make an effort.

Hopefully ,this general happiness will rub off on others so I won't be the only freshman with a goofy smile. One hundred percent convinced that the community idea was the reason for the happiness, I decided to run it by a senior:

"Yeah, um some might say that. But you wanna know the real reason everyone's so happy?"

"Sure."

"Freshman girls."

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ANDY HORNER '03
MANAGING EDITOR

D.C. That is how much time has passed since another hijacked airplane, bound for an end equally destructive, was brought down prematurely by people like you and me, who allowed their own lives to come to an end so that many others could continue to live theirs.

One year is a long time, and a great deal has happened since the day we now remember with ceremonies and moments of silence. We've listened to speeches, dealt with fear and anger, and watched on the news as American planes dropped bombs on caves half a world away. We've heard all about the "War on Terror" and coalitions and soldiers and protecting our "Homeland". These things have given us some measure of comfort, certainly.

But there is something that I have encountered that has given me infinitely more comfort than anything our fine country's leaders say on the evening news.

One morning this summer, as I walked from the Chambers Street subway station in lower Manhattan, two blocks from Ground Zero, to the Federal Building where I worked as an intern for the Environmental Protection Agency, an airplane flew high overhead.

For a moment, I let emotion overcome me and I looked up. I watched until the plane disappeared into the morning horizon, and I returned my gaze to the street. As I did this, I happened to catch sight of a middle-aged man in a business suit who was walking in the other direction. He too was just returning his eyes to the street around him. He too had been staring skyward.

As we passed each other, our eyes met briefly, probably for less than a second. But in that fleeting moment there was a recognition that some variation on the same thought had been in both our minds when we heard the engines of that jumbo jet.

He smiled at me, and I smiled back. That was that, our paths crossed and we both continued on our way to work. His smile stayed with me though. Just a quick smile on the street, maybe to some a commonplace thing. But to me, at that moment, that quick smile expressed a solidarity of the human race which I doubt could have been any better expressed by all the eloquent words in the world.

They say time heals all wounds. And this past year, I think everyone has been able to heal a little. But for me, I don't think 365 years could heal completely the wound that was created on September 11th, 2001. And you know what, that's ok.

The smile of that man on Chambers Street that morning, and the thousands of other smiles that I have shared in the past year, make me think that the tragedy of that Tuesday morning did more than create an irreparable wound in our nation. I think that it brought us closer together, not as New Yorkers, not even as Americans, but as humans.

So even though it hurts, I hope that when, and if, time decides to heal this wound, it leaves just a little scratch behind to remind me what those smiles mean. I don't ever want to forget, no matter how many hours, minutes, days, or years go by.

Enough is Enough

Contrary to what most of my articles suggest, I love my life here on the Hill. I appreciate the knowledge I gain each day by fending off academic rigors; I enjoy the freedom of just relaxing in my dorm with time to kill; and I marvel at how much life is breathed into our campus every spring when the snow thaws and the temperatures finally rise. But to be perfectly frank, this institution has made some mind-boggling errors in judgment that have heavily impacted student life while I've been here.

Drunk driving runs rampant on this campus thanks to the '95

CHRIS PRESTON '03
INSIGHTS & IDEAS EDITOR

Res Life decision; many of our African-American students feel slighted due to this College's refusal to celebrate Martin Luther King Day until last year; and the increasingly bone-headed decisions in regards to campus parking, or lack thereof. Now, thanks to Clinton mayor Gill Goering's new zero-tolerance for Hamilton students, we may soon feel the wrath of a new error in judgment that is on the horizon.

As a matter of fact we are feeling the wrath already. Last weekend alone fourteen students were issued citations in down town Clinton for violations including drunk in public, possession of alcohol, and disturbing the peace. And don't get me wrong-I'm not condoning the actions of these fourteen students, nor am I suggesting that such actions should be condoned in the future. But let's be honest, when as many as fourteen people-all Hamilton students-are arrested in one concentrated area (basically the several hundred yards separating Roma's and Tony's) it is a direct result of a conspiracy against Hamilton students. In light of the recent meetings in which students living down town and the mayor of Clinton, it is clear that Mayor Goering has an agenda that involves forcing Hamiltonians back on to the Hill and out of his town. His zero tolerance policy resulted from numerous complaints by Clinton residents about loud, unruly Hamilton students who made it difficult to sleep in certain areas of Clinton. While I appreciate and understand the concerns of the people of Clinton, it is not right for Mayor Goering to twist that into his own witch hunt, dispatching the Kirkland Police Department to basically search and destroy. KPD has simple orders: to more or less arrest any suspicious looking college student walking the streets

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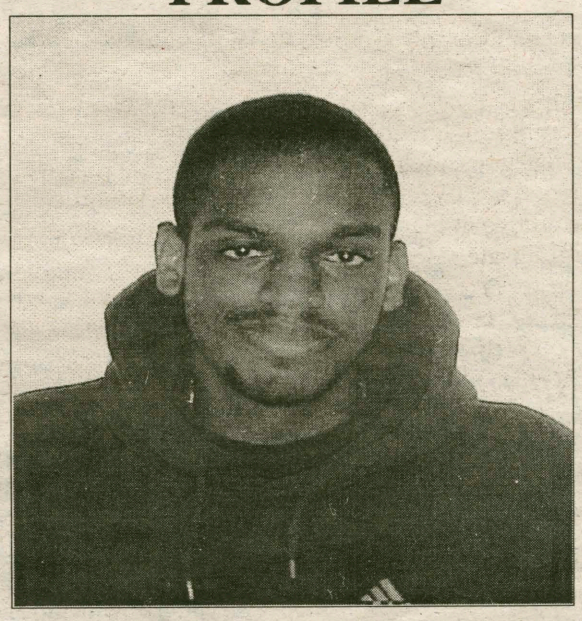

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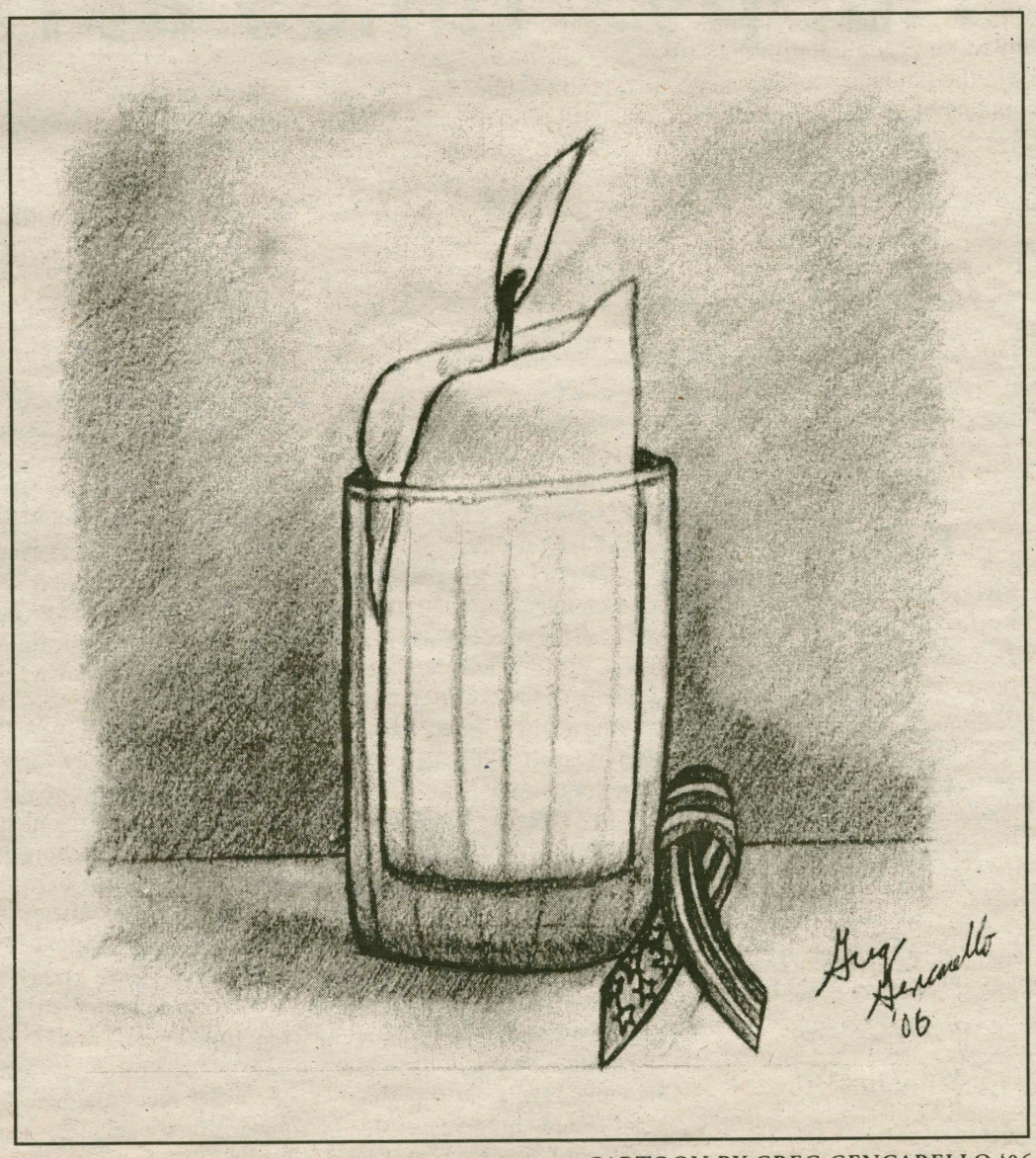

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The science must go on; summer research at Hamilton

by Katrina Lexa '05
SCIENCE WRITER

Hamilton College's summer science research program illustrates the overwhelming opportunities at Hamilton for undergraduate research. According to Professor of Biology David Gapp, "it's been going on only since the summer after the 1989-1990 school year." That first summer saw seven students working in the science departments.

The funding for the project initially was provided through college stipends. "Since 1990, we've had in excess of 380 students that have participated," said Gapp. "In the mid-90s, we were averaging somewhere between 30-40 students."

This past summer, the science research group totaled 77, with 40 of those students coming from the chemistry department.

As Professor of Chemistry George Shields points out, "research in chemistry is not just something seniors do. Ten of the students were rising seniors. Ten were rising juniors, eleven were rising sophomores, and nine were rising first-years."

Over the years, the college has provided the bulk of the funding for the summer science program. The Ralph E. Hansmann Science Students Support Fund was the original stipend not directly from the college. As Professor Gapp pointed out, "Included in that rise in the total number of students has been an increase in faculty grants, which is separate from the college funds."

Research students are involved "across the curriculum." This summer, departments hosting students included biochemistry, biology, chemistry, computer science, math, psych and physics.

PHOTO BY DAVID GAPP

Summer researchers Nichola Meserve '03 and Millie Gordillo-Grufanti '05 trekked out into the water to capture turtles this summer as part of their science research project in biology.

The subject of research varies from department to department. Students work either independently or in small groups, supervised by willing professors.

In the Shields research group alone, the subject of research ranged from the pKa of amino acids to enediyne anticancer inhibitors to hydrogen-bonded clusters to the active site on Alpha-fetoprotein.

Since Clinton, New York, is not well known for the range of local activities, summer research students become adept at creating their own entertainment. Over the years, they have traveled to New York City and Boston for baseball games, organized departmental kickball teams, a semi-formal dinner and dance, and a series of barbeques.

When asked about interesting stories collected over the summers here, Professor Gapp commented, "When my students went down to Utica Marsh, they would often run into the Utica Marsh nudist. Although he was not seen this summer, for several years running he was the 'resident' of Utica marsh."

One of the requirements for research students is that they present their findings to an audience. Merck/AAS grant recipients gave a series of mini-lectures over lunches provided by Bon Appetit and Alteri's.

This year, Professor Shields hosted MERCURY, the "first national conference devoted solely to undergraduate computational chemistry."

Over 70 participants came to listen to seven keynote speakers from institutions like the University of Maryland Biotechnology Institute, Cornell University, and Silicon Graphics (SGI). Undergraduate research students from the area were given the opportunity to present their research to the group both in the lecture hall and through two poster sessions.

The goal of the symposium was to create a network between computational chemists, developing collaboration opportunities, and to give undergraduates a sense of the possibilities within the field.

Looking into the future, it is hoped that the summer research program will help to attract underrepresented women and minorities to the field of science.

Professors of Chemistry George Shields, Timothy Elgren, Karen Brewer, John LaGraff, Robin Kinnel, and Ian Rosenstein, along with Professors of Physics Anne Silversmith and George Jones, Professor of Computer Science Mark Bailey, and Professor of Biology Herman Lehman, wrote a proposal to the National Science Foundation for a new grant. The STEP grant, Science, technology, engineering and mathematics Talent Extension Program, gives aid to women and minorities in science.

Of the 177 proposals submitted in June 2002, Hamilton College has been awarded the first grant. The NSF has awarded Hamilton $100,000 in grant money, which the college has matched with its own money.

According to Professor Shields, the departments plan to use the grant to recruit underrepresented minorities in science. High school seniors will be invited to apply to do research, advertising the program before applications are due as an added incentive to minority students to apply to Hamilton.

Those accepted will be invited to join a research group the summer before they enter Hamilton and are guaranteed a second summer of research.

Stay-tuned next week for some first-hand summer research experiences!

Meet the new Professor

John LaGraff joins the Chemistry Department

by Tim Evans '05
SCIENCE WRITER

The newest addition to Hamilton's chemistry faculty brings years of industrial experience to the Hill, along with passions for nanobiotechnology and surfing.

Professor John LaGraff, who teaches general and physical chemistry, chose to teach at Hamilton because of his like for the climate of his native upstate New York, his rather new interest in teaching, and the resources of Hamilton's chemistry department; he said that coming to this department is "like coming to a research university."

LaGraff holds a Ph.D. in ceramic science, a branch of materials science dealing with metal oxides, from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Following a NSF post-doctoral fellowship at Illinois, he became a visiting scientist at the Nanobiotechnology Center of the New York State Department of Health's Wadsworth Center. Most recently, a year and a half ago he began teaching at Union College.

LaGraff's primary research interest is nanobiotechnology. In other words, he investigates biomolecules on a very small scale. To give an idea of how small, one nanometer is one millionth of a millimeter.

With atomic force microscopes (AFMs), one can search crystals for invisible defects and biomolecules for diseases. AFMs use tips that are deflected as they move up and down across a surface, much like a needle on a record player moving across a record. These deflection data result in a map of the surface. The tips can also be used to add chemicals to solids or to remove parts of solids.

LaGraff, who prefers the element copper and the Gibbs' Free Energy equation, $\Delta G=\Delta H-T\Delta S$, works to be accessible to his students by offering "Virtual Office Hours" on Wednesday nights. During this time, he stays near his computer and answers e-mail queries from students about molecular orbital theory, the Schrödinger Equation, and thermodynamics, among many other topics.

Two of LaGraff's goals at Hamilton are to incorporate his research into his teaching by introducing advanced chemistry students to the Scanning Tunneling Microscope and to improve in communicating his research and its significance to people outside his area of expertise.

As a good first step towards the second goal, he impressed me with his answer to my question, "Do you think it will eventually become possible for human beings to 'see' or somehow detect atoms one at a time?"

His response was, "We've already done that." He showed me an image of a 4-nanometer by 4-nanometer grid of about 200 nicely-aligned atoms. I walked into the interview thinking that this may not even be possible and left knowing that it had been done twenty years ago.

In his spare time LaGraff enjoys biking, running, and ultimate frisbee; unfortunately, he had to give up surfing when he moved from L.A.

Anyone interested in hearing more about Professor LaGraff's work may attend his seminar, "From Atoms to Biomolecules: Nanoscale Patterning using Electrochemistry and Microcontact Printing," on Friday, September 20, in Chemistry 112.

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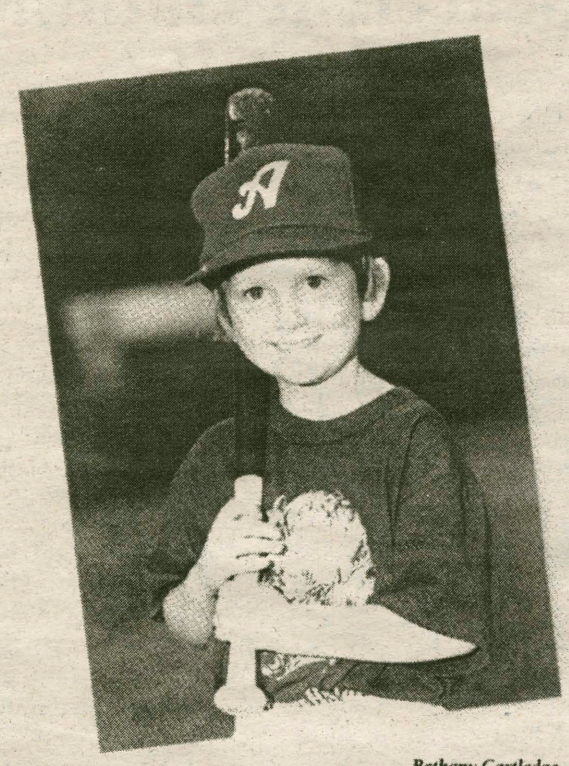

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Features

The management of Sept.11, 2001 on the Hill:

Reflections from the college leadership

by Kathleen M. McGrory '05
NEWS EDITOR

Editors Note:

Although physically far removed from the terrorist attacks of September 11th, 2001, the Hamilton College administration faced an unprecedented challenge that day to ascertain the well-being of all members of the Hamilton Community, both on and off the Hill.

The following piece is the product of interviews with President Gene Tobin, Vice President and Dean of the Faculty David Paris, Dean of Students Florence Mitchell, and Executive Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Board of Trustees Meredith Harper-Bonham. The article represents an effort to relay their stories, from the early hours of September 11th, until the evening of that same day.

Meredith Harper-Bonham learned of the terrorist attacks when a concerned Mrs. Tobin called her office early on the morning of September 11th.

Mrs. Tobin was calling to ask if Bonham had heard the news about a plane that had just hit the World Trade Center. She was clearly alarmed; President Tobin was on a flight that was due to land at LaGuardia Airport in New York City at around 8:30 that morning.

After speaking with Mrs. Tobin, Harper-Bonham called the airline on which President Tobin was flying. The airline representative could provide no information about Tobin's flight or the World Trade Center.

Across campus, Dean Mitchell arrived at her office in KJ just before 9 a.m. She had just returned from dropping her son off at school. While driving up the Hill, she first heard the news over the radio: a small plane had collided with the World Trade Center.

Shortly thereafter, Dean Mitchell, Dean Paris, and a number of other senior officers met to assess the situation. The story was developing rapidly; by this time two separate planes had hit both Towers One and Two of the World Trade Center, and what had been initially deemed an "accident" was now speculated to be an "act of terrorism."

The events of September 11th, 200,1 would clearly impact the campus community.

"It was really eerie. Almost surreal," described Mitchell of that morning. "It was very hard to grasp what was happening. We were trying desperately to keep posted on the information, and at the same time, keep our wits about us to think about the people on campus. What would the students need?"

Back in Buttrick Hall, Harper-Bonham received a call from President Tobin, that he had arrived safely at LaGuardia just moments before the first plane struck the Trade Center. While the president, who was in New York City on college business, was unharmed, he had watched the events unfold from a cab in standstill traffic on the Queensborough Bridge.

Tobin, who was accompanied by Vice President of Communications and Development Dick Tantillo, had had an unobstructed view of the two towers in flames.

"President Tobin called relatively early to let us know that he was OK, but also to tell us that something terrible had happened," Bonham recalled. "After his call, we spent a lot of time trying to figure out how to get him back to campus. He wanted to be here, in contact with the community."

But the safe return of President Tobin was just one of the many issues that the Office of the President, and, moreover, the entire Hamilton administration faced on the morning of September 11th. By 10 a.m., the senior officers had already begun meeting with members of the counseling center and the faculty to sort out what had happened, and what steps should be taken.

The entire campus community was, in effect, operating in what Harper-Bonham described as "crisis mode."

"There was a sense of urgency on a great number of fronts," Paris noted. "There were so many questions that we needed to answer at the same time. The first thing that we asked ourselves was how could we provide spaces for students to get together?"

One of the first steps that the administration took was to place televisions in public places, including the Mail Center and the Fireplace Lounge. Bon Appetite lent support by providing food at these designated public gathering sites.

"We put TVs in public places, thinking that people would want to congregate, to come together and share the events as a community. But they didn't. And of course they didn't. Most students were waiting to hear from family, from loved ones who were down near the site. They didn't want to be far from phones," explained Mitchell.

However, in addition to addressing the needs of the students on the Hill, the administration had another body of students to worry about: the Hamilton students participating in college programs in Washington DC, and New York City.

Early on in the morning, Washington Program Director Frank Anechiarcio had confirmed that everyone was safe and accounted for in Washington DC.

Confirming the whereabouts of the students on the New York program, however, was not as easy. The housing for students in the program was at Battery Park City Apartments, a complex located about eight blocks from the World Trade Center.

"Some [students] had gone to internships uptown and were removed from the immediate situation; others had stuck around; others had fled to Long Island. In effect, they were all over the place. The students had had to find a place to be, and for that reason, it was difficult to contact them all," said Mitchell.

Dean Paris cited the attempt to make contact with the members of the New York City Program as one of the biggest challenges of the day.

"Utmost in my mind was the sensation of powerlessness I felt when we were asking ourselves, 'where are our students in New York?," he recalled.

According to Harper-Bonham, the attempt to reach the students in New York was two-fold. Not only was the Administration trying to ensure that these students were accounted for, but it was also attempting to tell the students where they could go. While some students had friends and family in the area, others had no idea where to go.

"This is where the Hamilton community was incredible," said Harper-Bonham. "Alumni, parents of students, the greater community came together and offered their homes to our students in New York."

In the midst of trying to locate and place all of the students in Manhattan, the administration faced another difficult question. Should classes on the Hill be cancelled?

Ultimately, the senior officers chose not to formally cancel classes. Instead, members of the faculty were given the option of not holding class.

"We decided that there was real merit to allow people to come together for these classes," Mitchell described. "We wanted to allow the faculty to use the time to talk to students about what was going on. It was really beneficial for students to still have a point of contact with other students and members of the faculty."

PHOTO BY AMY SCHLOERB '06

Memories of that unforgetable day will, like these candles from Wednesday's Memorial Service, will long burn in the minds of Hamilton faculty, staff, and students alike.

In addition, the administration organized a community meeting to be held that afternoon in the Chapel. The meeting, presided over by Deans Paris and Mitchell, was intended to provide information, answer questions, and provide a forum for community members to offer prayers and reflections.

When the service ended at around 4:00 p.m. that afternoon, President Tobin returned to campus.

Tobin and Tantillo had managed to arrange a cab ride of NYC and to Westchester County, where they met up with Jay Bonham, also of C&D. Bonham had also been away from campus on college business. The three men drove back to Hamilton together.

"I came back knowing that I could only add my support to that which had already been implemented," Tobin said of his arrival to the Hill. "I think the greatest satisfaction of the day was in knowing that everyone on campus was safe in the hands of the senior officers. They really rose to the occasion. They had done everything possible to meet the needs of all members of the campus community."

"I was never prouder of all of the college administration, faculty, and staff than I was the moment I came to campus and saw people walking out of the Chapel, hand in hand, arms around each other. It was a great comfort to know that the process of coming toge'her had already begun," he added.

When the evening of September 11th finally fell, members of the campus community had already met in prayer groups, for meditation, and at the memorial site in Beinecke. Two members of the class of 2002 were already planning a candlelight vigil to be held on the evening of September 12th.

Later that evening, the administration was able to confirm that the students of the NYC program were all accounted for. The final member of the New York City program to be accounted for was Program Director Henry Rutz.

"I was scared for them all, but I was very scared for Henry," recalled Dean Paris. "However, what he did that day was a testament to our teaching staff. He was the last to be accounted for because he had spent the day accounting for his students."

For many members of the faculty, staff, and administration, it was not until the night of September 11th that they were able to begin to cope with the tragedy.

"At least for me it wasn't until much later that I gave myself the opportunity to deal with the day on an emotional level," said Dean Mitchell.

Harper-Bonham was faced with a similar situation. "I didn't get a chance to watch TV until I got home that night," she said. "I didn't get to see the images of the Trade Center until much, much later," she said.

The images, however, that she saw of the Hill on September 11th, were much more powerful.

"In effect, there was one thing that we saw on September 11th. It was that there is a well-knowledge of what we do best here on the Hill: everybody gathers together and closes ranks to protect every single member of the community," said Harper-Bonham.

President Tobin echoed her remarks. "We are our own, very real community. People act in very generous ways when things are at their worst. To know that people like that are at the soul of this place is what makes Hamilton College what it is: a community of hundred of people that genuinely care about each other."

Expanded food options fuel eatery debates

by Rebecca Fabricant '03
FEATURES WRITER

What's your favorite campus eating spot? Sure, a few floaters among us go from place to place, oblivious to everything except where the closest food is when hunger strikes. And for all of us, a hectic class and work schedule can determine where we end up for one meal or another. But most of us have a special place where the combination of ambiance and food strikes us as just right. And we usually end up there, especially at suppertime.

Maybe you go for the chicken wraps and fries from the Howard Diner. Maybe the pasta station at Commons is your thing, or perhaps that hour-long stir-fry line at McEwen never stops you from munching on some teriyaki creation. For first-years still trying to decide on what's the best fit, the expanded food choices and services at all the campus eating spots might make the choice more difficult.

Bon Appetit's new General Manager Patrick Raynard emphasized that the changes were driven by student preferences. Surveys provided initial input, and student committees worked with Raynard to fine-tune the ideas. The surveys indicated that many students wanted more healthy and vegetarian options.

As a result, McEwen, more formally known as "McEwen Café," now has an expanded stir-fry area complete with egg rolls (vegetarian and regular) served daily. McEwen also boasts a new vegetarian station and fresh deep-dish pizza. McEwen's new "Vegetarian Cooler" is stocked with vegan cream cheese, various kinds of soymilk, veganaise, rice milk, and fat-free lactaid milk. Raynard said that McEwen, with its popular tradition of stir-fry stations, was the natural choice to showcase additional vegetarian and vegan options.

Commons, or, to be formal, the "Soper Commons Café," has upgraded its décor over the summer and now more than ever, according to its website, has "the feeling and appearance of an upscale European-style eatery." Raynard pointed out that Commons, despite its more traditional image, also has an increased number of vegetarian/vegan options on the menu.

For students preferring a more down-home ambiance, The Howard Diner, with its traditional offering of diner comfort foods, is a possibility. With hours soon to extend to 5 a.m, the Diner will be the obvious choice for late-night study sessions and after-party snacks.

This investigative reporter found that each place had strong supporters.

Sarah Peach '05 votes for the Diner: "I like it because it isn't your typical, traditional cafeteria-style type place."

Kristin Wagner '03 prefers McEwen. "I like the atmosphere better. It's less crowded. Plus, they have stir fry". She regrets that her north-side residence is going to make getting to her favorite spot more difficult.

Another McEwen fan, Eliza Strawbridge '03, opines: "I think the food at Commons and McEwen are pretty equal. I like the atmosphere at McEwen better because it's just homier and more relaxed."

Liora Hoffman '03 also prefers McEwen to the old-school ambiance of Commons: "Commons reminds me of a high-school cafeteria."

Respondents debated as to whether there was a major divide between dark-siders and light-siders in their choice of dining halls beyond the obvious factor of proximity. A hungry dark-sider finding himself/herself at Commons can heed Hoffman's counsel: "The upstairs of Commons is all dark-side people."

Not all preferences are clear-cut. Coleen McNally '05 has mixed feelings: " I prefer the atmosphere of McEwen, but I like the pizza and hamburgers you can get at Commons. I like that kind of old-fashioned American food." Several respondents based their preference on Commons' grill, where you can get your burgers much faster than at McEwen.

The ever-thinking Maurice Michaane'03 prefers Commons for non-gastronomic reasons:

PHOTO BY ANNATASHA GRITTEN '03

McEwen's Vegetarian bar offers a rich, meat-free harvest.

"The center aisle at Commons gives maximum viewing for watching females. You see everybody who comes in and out of the dining hall. The potential viewing is unlimited." Other respondents were not so complimentary about what they called the "Commons Catwalk." One senior noted that she is always fearful she will drop her tray with a whole audience watching.

Raynard refused to be drawn into the campus debate. When pressed as to which dining site is his personal favorite, he proved that his skill in the culinary arts is matched by his skill in diplomacy: "I know I sound like a parent with several children, but I love all of the dining halls equally."

Though students were happy with the changes and additional options, some had suggestions for future improvement. Hoffman wants more snack food options, particularly for students on the 21-meal plan who go into the dining halls three times a day. "Sometimes you don't want a whole meal or to sit down. You just want something for the road." Raynard emphasized that he is very open to suggestions, so Hoffman may get her wish.

Several students spoke fondly of Bon Appetit's "Treats From Home" program. Parents can choose from various treats for any kind of occasion, including "Birthday Celebration," with a choice of cake, and "Food For Thought," with "brain" food like fruit, nuts, and juices. Also available are ever-popular cookies and coupons for pizza. Looking to the future, the "Exam Crunchier" includes pretty much everything you'll need to alleviate stress, including candy, coffee, junk food, and soda.

NYC Program forming incoming spring class

by Christopher R. LaRosa
SENIOR EDITOR

On the one-year anniversary of September 11th, Hamilton's Program in New York City has continued to evolve. With a group of students currently living in the city and a new group forming for the coming semester, Hamilton continues to foster its strong ties to the city.

Hamilton's Program in New York City offers students the opportunity to pursue internships at major corporations and to live in and become intimate with the city, all within the academic frame of a seminar class.

"Every time you walk out the door, there's an education," said Professor of Anthropology Henry Rutz, co-founder of the program and director of the Fall 2001 session.

Yuxuan Ng '03, a Fall 2001 program student and New York City native, said the seminars on globalization helped her to focus her attention in the city. "I knew what to pick up on when I saw it," she said.

Students in the program devote 25-30 hours per week to a 4-day-a-week internship, take two three hundred level seminars, and complete an independent project.

"We're working a lot," said Professor of Theatre and Dance Carole Bellini-Sharp, who is currently directing the program. Each semester, a different academic department heads the program. Professor Bellini-Sharp submitted a proposal outlining a program run by the theatre department in "the culture capital of the world."

"I'm a theatre major. I'm going to have to live in New York to do what I want to do. [This is an opportunity] to get experience," said Aurelia Fisher '03.

Experience is a cornerstone of the program in New York. The NY Philharmonic, The Metropolitan Opera, and Sotheby's are some of the organizations providing students with internships this semester. Internships for the Spring Program, Media in the Digital Age, are already in the works.

"MTV has already stepped up to the plate," said Visiting Professor of American Studies and Program Director for the upcoming semester Thomas Bass. He said that Miramax and several other major players in the New York media scene also have internship positions ready for Hamilton students.

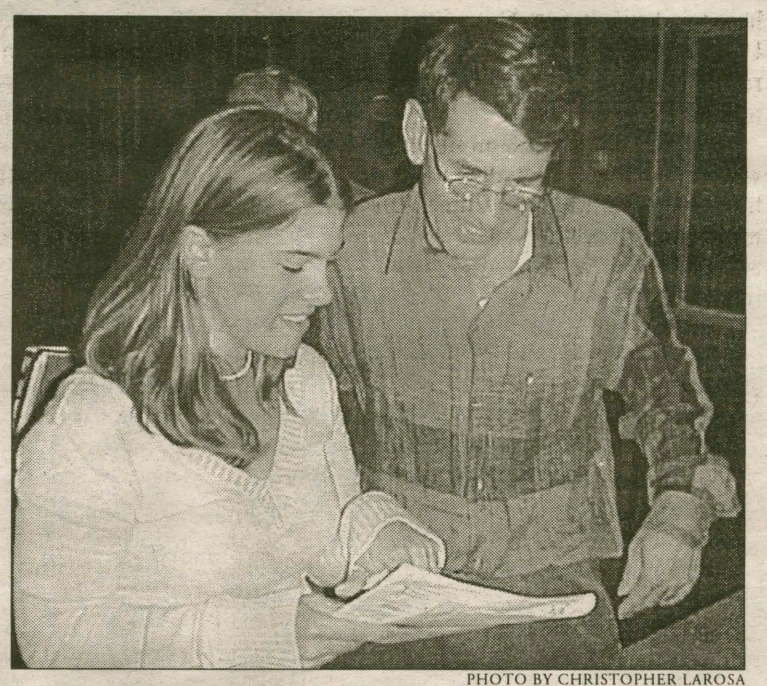
Who should consider joining the spring program? Professor Bass is looking for "students who see an opportunity" in the program and want to work as members of a group.

"It's important to be able to share experience," said Bass. Students from all majors are encouraged to apply so that an interdisciplinary synergy can be created among a group of 15 students.

No minimum average is required for participation; program coordinators look for a maturity of character during the interview process.

Students who are interested in the program should plan on attending an informational meeting on Tuesday, September 17, at 7:00p.m. in the KJ Red Pit. Students need to fill out a short application form with biographical information, then complete a long application form, and, finally, complete an interview with the program director.

"Whatever this bundle of things is we call media, New York is certainly the center of it... I see us throwing ourselves into the midst of it," said Bass, a professor in the American Studies and Comparative Literature departments.



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Erica Lieberman '04 talks to Professor Thomas Bass about the NYC Program at Thursday's info session. Interested students can attend another info session Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Red Pit.

September 11th hasn't curbed the health or development of the program.

"Now it's better than ever," said Rutz, describing the energy and buzz surrounding lower Manhattan, where students live.

Students elect to spend a semester enrolled in the New York program for multiple reasons.

"I was going to go abroad, but I wasn't very enthusiastic. I felt like I was just doing it because everybody else was, all

see NYC, next page

Utica for dummies; transit for everyone

Beautiful architecture, an extensive library, an art gallery, multiple dining options, diversity. While it may sound like copy from the Hamilton view book, it also describes Genesee Street in downtown Utica. New bus service from the Utica Transit Authority (UTA) means that everyone can visit.

by Christopher R. LaRosa
SENIOR EDITOR

Whoever first said "half the fun is getting there" was probably going by bus. Busses are great places to meet people, they're cheap, you avoid the hassle of driving, and sometimes they are even comfortable. Unfortunately riding the bus in our society is often considered about as cool as sporting Jordache Jeans and driving a Chevette with a two-toned mullet haircut.

Professor of Sociology Mitchell Stevens explains that riding a bus carries a social stigma with it, that Americans view busses as transit reserved for poor, lower class people who do not own cars or "people whose time isn't as valuable."

This past weekend I decided to throw social status out the window and experience the UTA bus for myself. I left my car in North Lot, and boarded the UTA's new bus service on campus, and headed to the center of it all, the heart of the Mohawk Valley, Utica.

Expecting to encounter the dearth of passengers that marks public transit in the U.S., I was surprised to see a few of my senior classmates also waiting at the bus stop and even more surprised to see them with notebooks in hand. As members of Mitchell Stevens's Sociology Senior Seminar, they were on assignment.

"I wanted to get students off the Hill to an unfamiliar environment and have them look closely at mundane things," said Stevens about the assignment.

Stevens's students had to find out how to take the bus to Union Station in Utica, spend time at the station, and record five pages, single-spaced, of field notes on the experience.

I'd be taking notes on my trip but wasn't planning on spending time at the bus station. The Munson Williams Proctor Institute, Franklin Square, and Peepers were on my list of locations to investigate.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER LAROSA
Students pile in at ELS circle.

Two minutes after its scheduled arrival time, the bus rolled into ELS circle and a hoard of students en route to Sangertown, a few senior sociologists and I piled in. Nearly all of the 23 passengers boarding at ELS encountered trouble with the exact change system. Note to potential travelers: Visa, MasterCard, and All Campus aren't accepted; you will need to bring $1.35 in exact change to ride the bus to Sangertown and $1.65 to Utica (one dollar bills can be used).

All of the passengers, first-time UTA bus riders, found the bus convenient and mostly comfortable. Passengers Roslyn Fernandez '06 and Kishawra Shannon '06 had been bumped from boarding a full Jitney earlier in the afternoon and were using the bus to get to the mall.

"This is a little more spacious [than the Jitney]. I got left by the Jitney once. Hopefully, this is a little more reliable. You've got to pay a buck, but hey, whatever," said passenger Alex Kaufman '06.

"It's bigger, more city-like [than the Jitney]" said Maria Hernandez '06 of the bus.

The bus buzzed into downtown Clinton, where it picked up two more travelers. Two feline tattoos with the names "Pablo" and "Cade" inscripted beneath them donned one passenger's left bicep. Body art and decoration, little did I know so early on, would be a sign of things to come on my trip though Utica.

After the Sangertown stop the bus headed down Genesee Street. I struck up a fruitful conversation with my driver, who motored at speeds that would probably land any private motorist in a jail cell. Talking to the driver on a first trip into Utica is highly recommended. My driver was loquacious, well informed, and willing to provided information about services available en route. He also told me where to get off.

After Sangertown, past the New Hartford Shopping Mall, past the Uptown stop (Genesee and Arnold), the bus arrived downtown at Genesee and Franklin Square. A large wall mural of a rising or setting sun and a large bell are the centerpieces of Franklin Square.

As I disembarked from the bus, I remembered the words of my uncle talking about his 5-day stay in Utica: "It was the longest week of my life." Coming from a man who lives on an island less than a mile wide, I wondered what could await me in a land where time must seem to stand still.

In Franklin Square a giant billboard proclaims, in retro sixties typography, "Enjoy the good life in Utica and the Mohawk valley." Across the street above the liberty bell a wall mural declares, "Utica: always reaching towards greater heights." On the corner a community development sign embeds a little truth in their message, "Now entering a weed and seed community."

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER LAROSA
A Liberty Bell graces Franklin Sq.

Thrift-Stores

Per square mile Utica must contain more thrift stores, pawnshops, and rental outlets than its counterparts. Without the resources, or the knowledge, to properly evaluate Utica's dizzying array of thrift retail and solely on the basis of friendly ownership, I recommend "Bits and Pieces" and "Christie's Cafe" (58-59 Franklin Square).

"We've got little bits and little pieces... if you don't see it we can order it... if there's something you want we can cook it up for you," the store owner informed me. Bits and Pieces had a ridiculous collection of clothing, toys, candy, and games. Though most Hamilton students wouldn't strut down Martin's Way decked out in a "bits and pieces" wardrobe, the store may serve as a replacement for males mourning the loss of H&M's men's section, and those looking to infuse their wardrobe with outlandish or offbeat (read: non J.Crew) attire.

My own purchases at Bits and Pieces were limited to a Coke and some Snaps, the gunpowder-filled tissue-paper cup toys that function in the same vein as caps.

Entertainment Venues

While Bits and Pieces deals in Snaps, shadier dealings are the business of the neighboring establishment, "Peepers." Though the strip bar's hours do not coincide well with bus service, the bar's late afternoon opening on Friday will allow for an hour or so of pole-dancing consumption before catching the last bus back to campus.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER LAROSA
VBLP's display is unordinary.

Those seeking a more intellectual atmosphere should head to Virgo Bat & Leo Phrog's Coffee House (100 Genesee Street). The coffee house opens at 11 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday. The interior is decorated with an eclectic mix of license plates, board games, stuffed animals, books, etc. Most notable, though, are the plastic manikin torsos decorated with holiday lights in the front window. Live music is featured regularly at VBLP's.

A Utica landmark, The Stanley Performing Arts Center (259 Genesee Street) celebrated its 75th anniversary this Tuesday with a production of Michael Flatley's "Lord of the Dance." In the past Tim Reynolds and Dave Matthews, The Indigo Girls, and B.B. King have played the venue. Later this month jazz-great Winton Marsalis will take the stage with the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra, while this spring Sesame Street Live will invade the theatre.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER LAROSA
Winton will blow his horn later this month at the Stanley Theatre.

Off the Beaten Path

After about a half hour in the Franklin Square area, I decided to try my luck off Genesee Street. Those brave enough to explore the side streets will find a plethora of thrift stores, dingy-in-appearance restaurants and empty storefronts.

Two blocks off Genesee Street I stumbled upon a church fundraising fair. The focal point of the event was mobile stage with a sweaty, heavyset, middle-aged man wearing a tank top. He was

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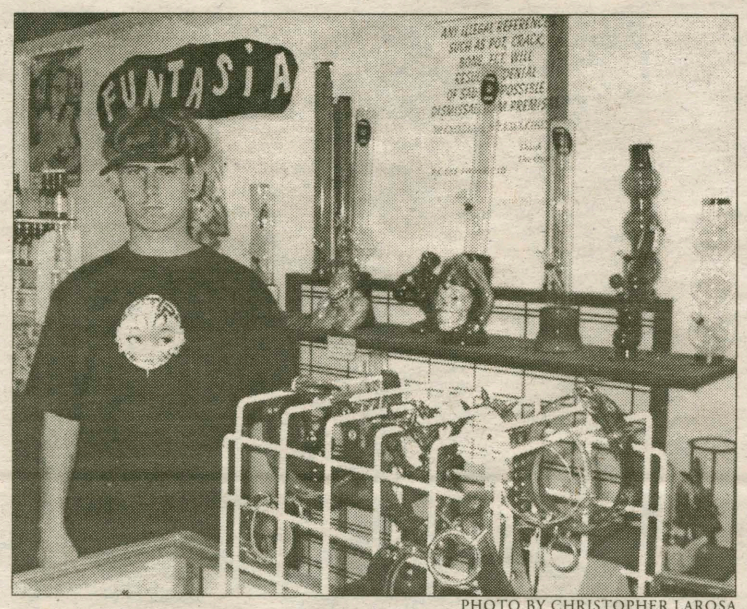
When worlds collide, UTA transit bridges Hamilton and Utica



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Dan will be happy to assist you with all your body piercing, smoking and novelty needs at Funtasia.

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passionately playing a plastic Fisher Price guitar and lip-syncing a Journey song. Perplexed by how any institution whose business is morals and values could endorse such a spectacle I headed back to Genesee Street.

A Weed (and Seed) Community

"Funtasia: Yesterdays fads, todays trends, tomorrows treasures" (sic) (246 Genesee Street) is a highlight of Utica's main drag. A trove of candles, body oils, incense, tapestries, door beads, body jewelry, and paraphernalia await potential visitors. Piercing and tattoo services are also provided.

"This is definitely a place for college kids," Mocha, head body piercer at Funtasia, informed me.

Funtasia boasts a comprehensive collection of smoking implements ranging in cost from $3 for a key chain pipe to over $90 for a Pyrex color-changing bong. All of Funtasia's smoking paraphernalia are intended for tobacco use only, or so their sign says.

Blue-haired Dan, a piercing apprentice at Funtasia, shared with me the details of his current training in sterilization procedures, piercing placements, tong use, and, most importantly, custom control. Dan knows first-hand what being pierced is all about, as he currently sports 20 piercings.

"If you're not ready and you don't look ready, I'm not going to come at you with a needle," said Mocha, stressing her approach to keeping customers happy.

For those who are ready, Mocha will come at just about any part of your body with a needle. Nipples, nostrils, genitalia, tongues, septums and navels are all fair game.

Much to my good fortune, Patty, a Utica-area resident, invited me to watch her brow piercing. The procedure consisted of Mocha marking her eyebrow, pulling her eyebrow away from her face with a set of tongs and pushing a needle through the skin. A seemingly un-pierced friend of Patty also watched the procedure. He volunteered the information that piercings are not painful and that having his Prince Albert penis piercing installed was pain-free.

At Funtasia, piercings are free, jewelry runs $25 - $45, and Mocha gives detailed care instructions. Though most piercings are easy to maintain and trouble-free, Mocha provides any support needed in the event of infection. Her primary advice for the newly pierced is strangely in line with many catechism lessons: "keep it clean, and don't play with it."

Get Educated

Utica isn't all smoke shops and thrift stores; it is also home to the famous Munson Williams Proctor Arts Institute (MWPAI) (310 Genesee Street Utica). The Institute is home to a museum, a performing arts series, a film series, and an extension of the Pratt School of Art in New York City.

The museum's permanent collection is composed of modern and contemporary art, as well as 19th century works from America and Europe. Jackson Pollock, Georgia O'Keefe, and Andy Warhol are among those artists represented. A cornerstone of the Museum's collection is a series entitled "The voyage of life" by Thomas Cole. Cole's four works trace human growth though the years; one work in the series has graced a Hamilton college professor's textbooks. An expansive watch collection is another interesting component of this museum.

The MWPAI is a worthwhile trip all Hamilton students should make sooner rather than later. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday, 1 -5 p.m.

Across the street from the MWPAI is the architecturally stimulating Utica Public Library, open until 8 pm Monday through Wednesday, Thursday through Friday until 5:30 p.m., and Saturday until 5:00.

Other Possibilities

It isn't necessary to take the bus all the way to Franklin Square to get a change from Sangertown and Commons. The bus stops at the New Hartford Shopping Center which boasts a wide variety of shopping opportunities. China Buffet, the famed all-you-can eat, seven dollar Chinese buffet, boasts egg rolls far superior to McEwen's latest offerings.

At the Genesee and Arnold stop, also known as Uptown Stop, a Rite Aid, Family Dollar, Price Chopper and AMF bowling lanes are all available. The Utica AMF lanes is an expansive venue, but be prepared to wait, as bowling is a popular upstate pastime.

The best reason for riding the bus may not be to see what you get out of going to Utica, but what you can give. The Red Cross, Planned Parenthood, and United Way are just a few of the many non-profits community organizations located along the bus route.

The Return Trip

Dead tired, I decided to head back to the return trip bus stop (riders take note: the return bus picks up riders on the opposite side of the street as the drop-off.) While waiting for the Genesee/Clinton bus, an eleven-year-old girl approached me and informed me that her nearby twelve-year-old friend thought that I was attractive and that I ought to talk to her. After affirming my shyness, she and her crew dispersed. The women waiting adjacent at the stop asked me my age, and I replied, "20."

"Jailbait, jailbait, they gonna have you in jail!" she exclaimed.

Unsure of how to respond, I looked to another man waiting at the stop for assistance.

"I'll get you some pepper spray to keep them away," he offered.

As the juvenile posse approached to board the bus, the women broke into a tirade directed at the girls, "Grown men. Don't be spending your time thinking about grown men. You leave the grown man alone. Do you hear me? You leave the grown man alone."

As the bus moved back toward Utica, we hit Sangertown, where the body of passengers took on the composition of a Dunham hallway. A dozen or so happy Hamiltonians piled onto the bus, freshly stocked with Khaki pants, pop music, and sporting equipment. Fifteen minutes were filled with stories of hookups, Keystone, and the woes of an intro reading list; before I knew it we were back in the cocoon, I mean, on the Hill.

Unlike the 43 trips to Sangertown you'll make during your time at Hamilton, riding the bus to Utica will most likely be a Hamilton experience you won't forget. Spend next Saturday walking around Genesee street instead of the JC Penny wing.

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Hamilton students, well stocked, return to the hill from Sangertown Mall via the UTA bus service. Pickup a bus schedule today by the ACCESS Project office in the McEwen breezeway.

NYC

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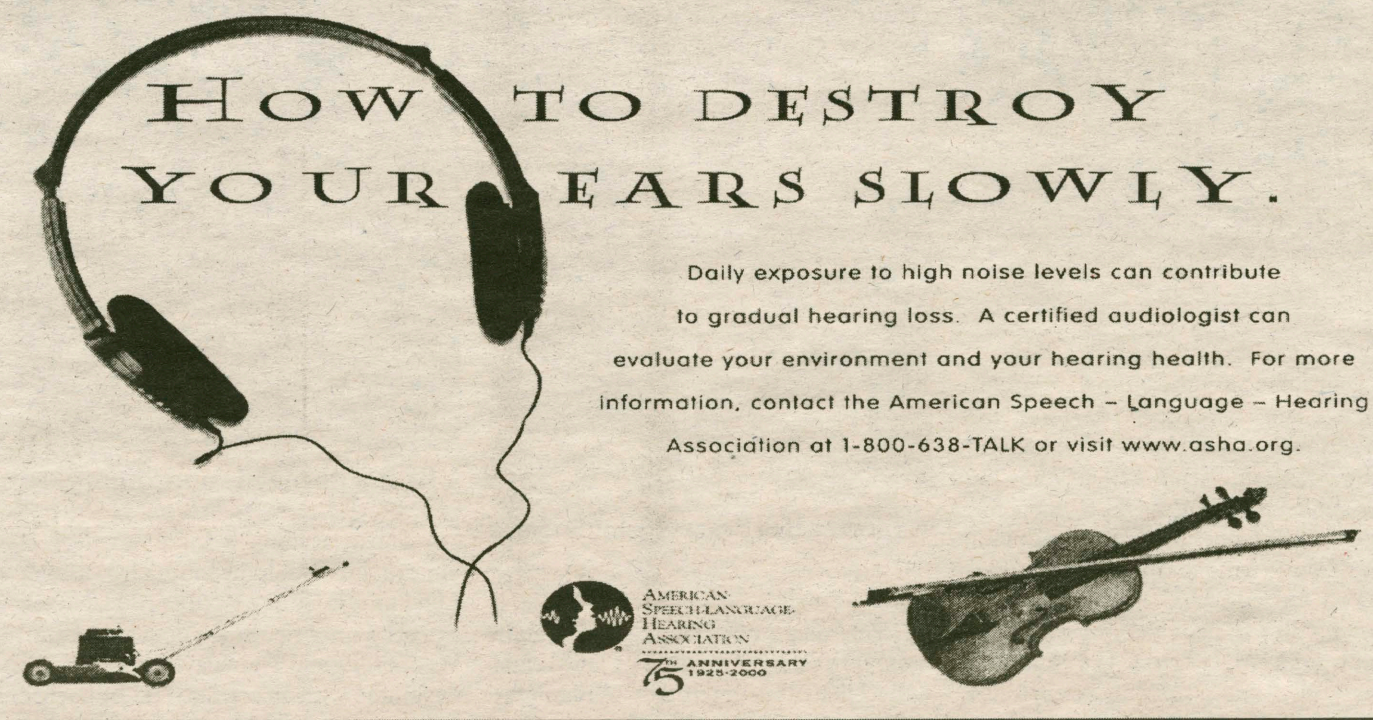
my friends were going away. New York seemed more applicable and practical," said Carter Cox '03, a theatre major currently in New York.

"Spending a whole semester with 13 or 14 students learning about them... It's something that wouldn't have happened if I stayed at Hamilton with my normal clique," said Ricardo Colon '03.

For whatever reason students choose to enroll in the New York program, they seem to universally enjoy it.

"I think it was the best semester ever," said Ng.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Shalom! 1st rabbi becomes Jewish Chaplain

by Sharon Hakim '06
FEATURES WRITER

"Making it possible for the faithful to remain faithful to their religious traditions anywhere depends upon the willingness of religious people to defend and embrace religious freedom everywhere... To accept pluralism is to accept a diversity of traditions and to insist on respect for traditions that are not our own." Using these words by E.J. Dionne at Hamilton's 191st Convocation, College Chaplain Jeff McArn, introduced new Jewish Chaplain Rabbi Yaakov Rapoport, the first Rabbi to hold such position in college history.

Rabbi Rapoport was officially hired in June 2002 as a part time employee; plans for his position, however, began several months earlier. In the fall of 2001, President Tobin assembled an ad hoc committee on the future of Jewish leadership at Hamilton. The committee consisted of Professor Robert Kantrowitz as the chair, along with McArn, Dean of Admission and Financial Aid Richard Fuller, Assistant to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty Andrea Habbel, and Dean of Students Flossie Mitchell, as well as one student who has graduated.

As a committee they conducted an extensive survey, polled students, and debated the direction Hamilton needed to take. They then made a recommendation to President Tobin.

Rabbi Rapoport is from Syracuse, NY, where he works at Syracuse University as director of the Chabot House. Although he is new this year to Hamilton, he has more than 20 years of experience working with students at Syracuse University, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, the Syracuse University Medical School and SUNY Oswego, beginning when he was 19 and still a rabbinical student. When questioned about his early impressions of Hamilton, Rapoport replied that he "loves the beautiful campus and was impressed with the students." Also, the Rabbi loves the sense of community here on the Hill and finds it "pleasant and friendly, a different world from Syracuse."

At Hamilton, the Jewish student body revolves around Hillel, a nationally affiliated Jewish student organization, became a part of the Hamilton Campus in the mid 1980s. It began with the purpose of serving as a community for the Jewish students at Hamilton to worship, to share their faith, and to have access to resources. Today, Hillel is still serving the nearly 170 members of the Hamilton community who are Jewish. Hillel's executive board of students consists of president Marjorie Kazin '04, Vice President Josh Sargen '05, Secretary and Treasurer Alexis Ribak '04, and member at large Jenny Taransky '03. Rabbi Rapoport is taking over the advisory of the group, which had previously been under the wing of various faculty and staff members, changing from year to year.

The first events catered to the Jewish community this year were the services during Rosh Hashanah. Because the holiday occurred early after the return to campus, preparations had been made last year, before the Rabbi was hired. Therefore, there were many services to choose from, including traditional learners service and an alternative service. The alternative service was led by Debra Rappaport, a visiting student Rabbi, who has presided over services at Hamilton before.

Rabbi Rapoport is of the Hassidic Jewish tradition, while the great majority of Jewish students at Hamilton aren't. However, many Hamilton community members feel that the distinction is not important in terms of serving the community.

"Rabbi Rappaport brings to Hamilton a diverse viewpoint in the form of religion," explained Robert Kantrowitz, a math professor and active Jewish community member. President Tobin is among the many who sing praises to the Rabbi.

"As an orthodox Jew, he brings to Hamilton a powerful combination of cultural and religious diversity, a deep respect for inclusivity, and a delightful sense of humor. I know that Rabbi Rapoport will build on the good work of our most recent Hillel advisers, Deborah Reichler, Susan Goldberg, and Henry Rubin. He is a wonderful asset and someone whose wisdom and experience transcend religious and cultural differences."

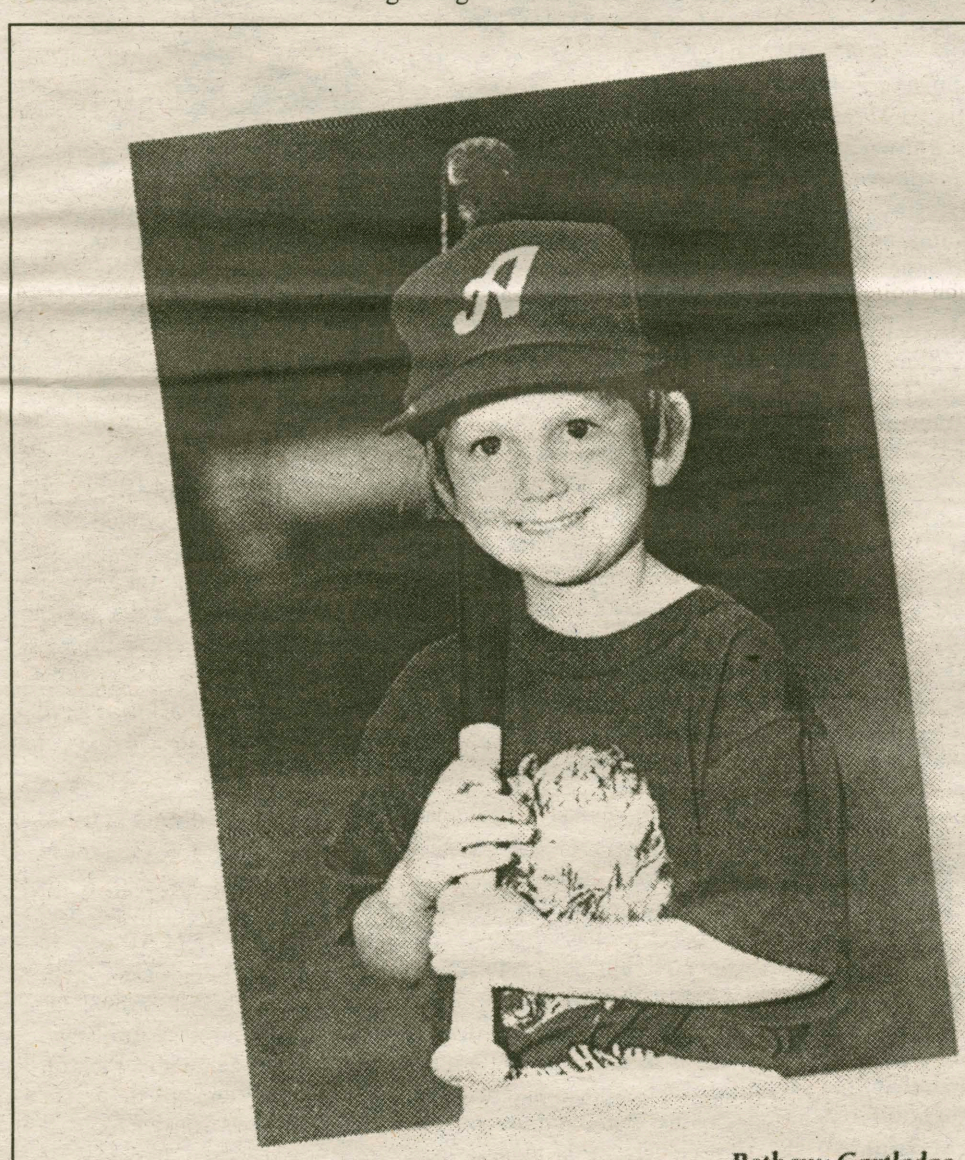
One issue that prompted voices of change within the Jewish community was the terrorist attacks of September 11th. Although the campus had many eloquent and meaningful speakers and services, the Jewish community lacked an outlet for their own feelings, in terms of religion. This year, the one-year anniversary of the terrorist attacks, the Rabbi was here to counsel and to talk to students of all faith backgrounds. One thing Rabbi Rapoport stressed is that he was here to talk to all students, not only the Jewish community.

The Rabbi has begun his influence in the community already. One thing students appreciated was the first ever appearance of Kosher food at the school-wide barbeque.

Student reviews of the situation are good, and college Chaplain Jeff McArn supported Rapoport, saying, "Rabbi Rapoport brings a form of Judaism which most of our students may find unfamiliar, but he is equipped with a love for students, a vibrant personality, and an integrity of faith which will overcome many differences between Jewish traditions. He will make a big difference for Jewish prospective students who are looking for a campus where they can study at a first-rate liberal arts college and still maintain an observant Jewish lifestyle. Along with Fr. John Croghan, our Catholic Chaplain, I'm delighted to welcome Rabbi Rapoport as a colleague in the chaplaincy at Hamilton."

Preparations have been made for the up-and-coming holiday Yon Kippur. Check the website activities board for updated information on services.

Rabbi Yaakov Rapoport lives in Syracuse, and he and his wife, Chanie, are the proud parents of eight children.



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Hamilton Performing Arts presents cellist Maya Beiser and pianist Anthony de Mare

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Maya Beiser, a talcnted cellist, will be performing with pianist Anthony de Mare.

Clinton, NY - The Performing Arts at Hamilton College will open the Classical Connections Series on Saturday, Sept.14, at 8 p.m. in Wellin Hall with a performance by Maya Beiser, cello, and Anthony de Mare, piano. Scheduled for the program are selections by Astor Piazzolla and Joaquin Nin from Beiser's and de Mare's recent recording, *Oblivión*, as well as more adventurous work from their repertoire.

Raised in a kibbutz in Israel by her French mother and Argentinean father, cellist Maya Beiser has been concertizing since the age of 12. She made her American debut at the age of 19. Ms. Beiser is recognized as a leading performer on the cutting edge of the musical world. She embraces a wide range of musical languages from classical to world music, and from contemporary music to alternative rock. She has been a featured performer at major festivals and concert hall across four continents, and has been selected to be the soloist for Tan Dun's Academy-award winning "Crouching Tiger Concerto" with the *St. Paul Chamber Orchestra* at the Beijing Festival in China and the White Nights Festival in St. Petersburg in Spring 2003.

Recognized through out the world for his dedication to the music of our time, pianist Anthony de Mare has been described as "fascinating, compelling, incredibly articulate, humorous, compassionate and alive." Mr. de Mare began his performing career under the auspices of *Young Concert Artists* with debuts at the 92nd Street Y in New York City and the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC. His career was further enhanced by receiving First Prize and Audience Prize at the International Gaudeamus Interpreters Competition (The Netherlands) and the International Competition of Contemporary Piano Music (France) as well as several major grants from the National Endowment for the Arts.

This Hamilton College performance will feature Astor Piazzolla's *Adios Nonino* and *Le Grande Tango*. Argentinean-born composer Aster Piazzolla (1921-1992) is perhaps best known as "the father of the modern tango." During his lifetime he recorded 50 albums and wrote more than 300 tangos. Also on the program is *Suite Espagnole* written by Cuban composer (and father of celebrated author Anais Nin) Joaquin Nin. Meredith Monk's Double Fiesta and Frederic Rzewski's *Piano Piece No. 4* will also be performed, among pieces by other composers.

Tickets are $15 adult, $10 senior and $5 student, general seating. For reservations or for more information, call the Performing Arts ticket office at (315) 859-4331.

A Simple Twist Up Dave

Katey Healy-Wurzburg '05 vents her frustration about being a die-hard fan

The mind is a terrible thing to waste, so we've heard, many a time in fact. I don't disagree. I think you should treasure your mind, make sure it gets lots of exercise, and remains (relatively) clean. However, I have recently been given a hard time by some of my friends for what I choose to fill my mind with. Specifically, the music I choose to fill my mind.

Well, to explain, I am a fan. Of a band. "Uh oh." you say. "Where is this going?" One of those most annoying fans, to most people, an obsessed fan. "But Katey!" you say, "What exactly does this mean? I mean, I'm totally like a huge *N*Sync* fan! I listen to *No Strings Attached* like every other day!!!" No, unfortunately, I'm not that kind of fan. If I was, this article would be a lot shorter, my life would be a bit more boring, and a lot less fulfilling. Yes, I'm THAT kind of fan.

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D.J.M. at Mansfield, MA, 7/23/02

The band I love, and whose music has changed my life, in all honesty, is the *Dave Matthews Band*. "Oh." you say, a tad disconcerted. You expected me to say something like *Tool*, or *Marilyn Manson*. "That's not so unusual, really, liking Dave. I like, really like Dave too! I LOVE that *Everyday* album! In fact, a lot of Hamiltonians like Dave too!" Again, I must clarify. Being a "Dave fan" or "Dave head" is NOT listening to a mix of your favorite DMB songs occasionally. It is NOT having that black and white poster of Dave holding the black Gibson guitar and looking down at it. If you don't know which one I mean, try looking in every other room in ANY of the residence halls. Being a Dave fan is also NOT thinking their first album was *Under the Table and Dreaming* (*Remember Two Things*). Annoying? Yes. Fulfilling, and fun? Absolutely. I feel so lucky to have found something that fits so completely with how I already feel about so many things; a compassion for every person regardless of race or anything else, an intelligence and complexity in lyrics and music that is totally unique today (*Incubus* has the right idea), and a generosity as individuals and as a band that is truly astonishing. I hope that all of you can someday find, or have already found, something you can be ridiculous passionate about and excited by.

Okay, I'm getting all mushy now and need to switch my WinAmp player to a different song. Paul Simon is playing now, how did that happen? Really, the intention of this article was to explain us obsessed fans to you "normal" fans. I hope I have shed some light on us, generally, but you will have to let me know.

"You never know at all, the ground beneath is nothing more than my point of view..." *Raven, Busted Stuff* 2002, David J. (John, in case you were wondering) Matthews.

Comic Book Twist

Brian Sweeney '06 gives the lowdown on what to expect at the cinema the next few years

The financial success of *Spider-man* was matched by no other movie this past summer, and it eventually went on to become the fifth highest grossing film of all time. As usual, when a movie performs abnormally well, Hollywood will end up sending a great deal of other movies from the same genre into production. Now *Spider-man* isn't the first film based upon a comic book to become a big hit; there was also the *Batman* and *Superman* series, as well as the recent *X-Men*.

Still, none did nearly as well as Spidey. So if you've been waiting for your favorite superhero to make it to the big screen, and that superhero is not associated with a bat, a spider, a wolverine, or a flying Kryptonian, then you may just get your wish in the near future because right now comic book adaptations are the next big thing.

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Hugh Jackman as Wolverine ready to kick some tail in *X-Men II*.

There are a few films based upon comics that were sent into production prior to *Spider-man* showing the profitability of the genre. Of course the sequel to *X-Men* was inevitably going to be made thanks to the reception of the first film, so it should be no surprise that the sequel, now referred to just as *X2*, is currently filming. The good news is that Bryan Singer, the director of the original as well as a movie called *The Usual Suspects*, is back to direct once again. The original cast is all set to return as well. There are many new additions. Brian Cox, the original Hannibal Lecter from Michael Mann's *Manhunter*, is set to play the character of Stryker. Alan Cummings, from the recent Broadway production of *Cabaret*, is set to play Nightcrawler, who fans will definitely recognize from the comic books. Many of the other mutants who did not make it to the first film are rumored to be appearing, including Colossus, Pyro, and others. The film centers on an attack upon Professor Xavier's mutant academy by the military. While the mutants attempt to defend their home and each other, they find unlikely allies amongst another group of mutants and a certain magnetic super villain. In the meantime, Wolverine will attempt to shed light on his uncertain past and may find some answers that could be of help to the current situation his friends have found themselves in. *X2* will be released on May 3, 2003.

Another comic book that was sent into production before the events of the weekend of May 2, 2002, is *Daredevil*. This movie, set for release on February 8, 2003, is reportedly being made with passionate vigor by its director Mark Steven Johnson. The cast includes Ben Affleck as Matthew Murdock/Daredevil, Michael Clarke Duncan as Kingpin, Colin Farrell as Bullseye, and Jennifer Garner as Elektra. Interestingly enough, the comic that this comes from is supposed to co-exist within the world of the *Spider-man* comics. Often enough, a villain from the *Daredevil* comics will face Peter Parker, while the other characters will cross over many times as well. Yet since both franchises are being produced by different film studios, all connections to each world have been severed and cut completely. Kingpin will never be able to face *Spider-man*. Though, if Daredevil is as successful as its predecessor, there might be the hope of a crossover in the future. Also of note, the film will

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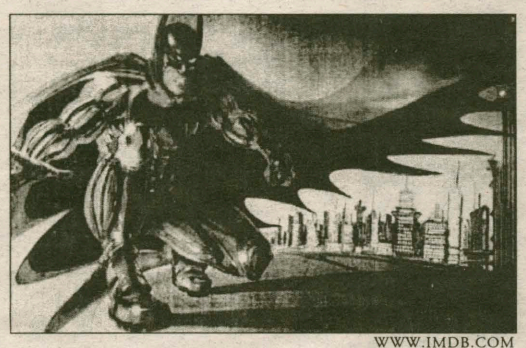

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Expect another *Batman* movie soon.

Law was ready to sign on to play Supes. Both were very interesting choices, especially Law. It was then reported that when Jude Law asked to hold the right to read the scripts of the sequels before agreeing to reprise his role, he was refused and therefore will not be playing the Man of Steel. Yes it is a crime for actors to want to attach their talents to quality scripts, though it is heartening that Law saw potential in the script to this first Batman/Superman adventure. It was later reported that Josh Hartnett would be playing Superman, horrible choice if ever there was one. Soon after that report it was announced that the project was put on hold, and would be made after Petersen directs another movie.

Since the last installments of both the Batman and Superman franchises have been nothing short of abysmal, it is no surprise that there has not been a sequel in a great many years. Recent rumors persist that *Superman Lives*, a project originally to be directed by Tim Burton and written by Kevin Smith, is finally on its way to being made – though without both Burton and Smith. It's possible that this will actually go into production, but it still safe to say that *Superman* won't come back onto the big screen for a solo adventure in quite a while.

There are also reports that Darren Aronofsky, the director of *Requiem for a Dream*, is trying to get a film made entitled *Batman: Year One*, which attempts to tell the story of the Caped Crusader's birth. This has been spoken about for a while, and is also one of those projects that is not all that likely to come about, but if it did, it would surely be interesting.

And finally, there is one other major comic book that has yet to be touched by any serious party. Chris Columbus, director of the *Harry Potter* films, wrote a screenplay based upon a well know comic known as *The Fantastic Four*. The draft by Columbus was reportedly superb, and has probably seen many revisions since it was written, but has never been truly taken seriously by a production company. With the success of recent Marvel films, it may finally be time. It is possible that Columbus may still be interested in it, possibly to direct it, especially since it was recently announced that he would be stepping back to produce the third Potter film, *The Prisoner of Azkaban*. Perhaps he is ready to bring the Four to theaters with the respect the source material deserves. Either way, it is sure going to be a great few years for fans of comic books, whose support for their interests is only spawning more and more films that are worthy of the ever climbing ticket price.

feature Kevin Smith, who many people may know of as the writer/director of *Clerks*, *Mallrats*, *Dogma*, etc., or just as Silent Bob. Smith is set to make a cameo in the film playing a scientist named Jack Kirby.

In July of 2003, moviegoers will finally see *the Incredible Hulk* on the big screen. With director Ang Lee, of *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* fame, everyone may be in for a very special treat. The title role of the Hulk/Bruce Banner is being played by someone with a very similar surname to his onscreen person – Eric Bana. Recent Oscar winner Jennifer Connelly is going to be playing Betty Ross. Sam Elliott is playing General Thunderbolt Ross, Josh Lucas is Major Glenn Talbot, and Nick Nolte will be seen as Dr. David Banner. There has been very little information released about this project, and only a tantalizing teaser trailer has been shown on screen, though strange rumors keep leaking from the set of odd choices that deviate from the source material (such as the appearance of a female Hulk). Though with a good script and such a fine director, the project should be in safe hands.

A lesser known comic, entitled *The League of Extraordinary Gentleman*, is set to appear on the big screen in the near future with the very same title. The comic features a variety of different literary heroes of all sorts who join together to fight the forces of evil in a parallel world commissioned by Queen Victoria. This film is set to be released on June 6, 2003, and features a cast including Sean Connery as Allan Quatermain, Stuart Townsend as Dorian Gray, Peta Wilson as Mina Murray, Shane West as Tom Sawyer, Max Ryan as Dante Aligheri, Tony Curran as the Invisible Man, Jason Flemyng as Dr. Jekyll, and Naserruddin Shah as Captain Nemo. With such an interesting premise and cast, this just might be a winner.

Now while those are the movies that are definitely going to be made, there are a still a great many in the negotiating stage. It was recently reported that Wolfgang Peterson, director of *The Perfect Storm*, was going to direct a film that joined Batman and Superman. Rumors leaked out from Warner Bros. that Colin Farrell would be playing Bruce Wayne, while Jude

Check it out:

by Lindsey Crusan '06

Matthew Good Band's brilliant and bitter "Beautiful Midnight"

One of the most popular and controversial bands to emerge in the Canadian music scene is the *Matthew Good Band*. Although the band split recently after a long period of debate, the founding member and lead singer, Matthew Good, is planning on releasing an album in January of 2003.

This new album will undoubtedly be released on his native soil, forcing rabid American fans to shell out $30 to buy the album and have it shipped to the United States. I am one of those rabid fans, and yes, I did pay such an amount to buy their third full length album *Beautiful Midnight* two years ago. Despite the fact that I paid $30 for a CD that would have cost me $14 Canadian, this is one of the most memorable and moving albums that any recent band has released and was fully worth the money.

Starting off *Beautiful Midnight* is the soaring "Giant" with cheerleaders chanting "K-I-C-K-A-S-S, that's the way we spell success." This mockery is typical of much Matthew Good music, as is the offbeat mixing. This technique is used throughout the album, and adds a certain mysterious quality to such songs. "Giant" has one lyric that speaks of Good's outlook on our society and sets the disdainful yet provocative tone of the rest of the album: "When you blow out like a big star, it reminds me how uniform your beautiful is." The majority of the songs on the CD are slow and moody, conveying the messages of an obviously bitter and arrogant individual.

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The Matthew Good Band: back in black

Another song in which this jaded mindset is apparent is the song "Suburbia." The title of the song makes its content relatively obvious, and again, has a fairly derisive tone. Good claims that this song is his favorite on the album, further explaining that this song speaks to the resentment that he feels towards the concept of suburbia. This stems from his own upbringing in such a society in which he felt stifled and saw little imagination in the minds of those he grew up around.

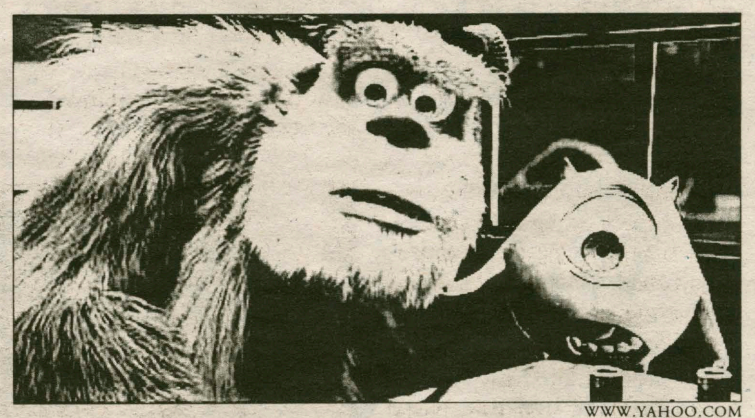
One of the more upbeat songs from the album is the single, "Hello Time Bomb" which was released in the United States to little fanfare. Despite the band's lack of success in the States, the driving beat and catchy guitar riff led the song to a number one release in Canada. On the surface, many listeners believe this song to be about a fascination with pornography, but Good insists that this is not the case. He instead claims that the song is about wanting that which you know that you will never have. However with lyrics such as "push and push and push till it hurts" and "dirty enough I got me a love but it's so bad," it appears nearly impossible for one to not draw certain imagery from the song. Matt Good is all about stirring up controversy.

The final track, "Running for Home", may be considered the most depressing song on the CD. Good describes this song as the story of the "disintegrating relationships with people he knew due to the bands increasing popularity." Apparently resentful of his fame, he asks the question "So low for how high?" One would not typically expect this from the lead singer of what is arguably Canada's most popular rock band, however Good is never afraid to openly speak his mind as to how much despises his fame and the record industry.

Whether or not you can tolerate him, what one can appreciate is how honestly he offers his voice in interviews and writing songs, thus leading most to having an opinion of him, whether it be positive or negative. One attribute that Matt Good prides himself on is his complexity and depth of thought that goes into his music, arguably an asset currently lacking in the rock/pop genre. A brilliant, yet bitter man, Matt Good still has much to say and will hopefully continue to share his thoughts with listeners.

New to DVD: Monsters Inc.

A & E Editor Whit Rothe '05 can't get enough of *Monsters*



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Mike and Sulley will be even more scared if *Monster's Inc.* doesn't sell well on DVD.

For those of you who haven't fulfilled your role as a consumer recently, or if you just like Disney movies, you will be pleased to know that *Monsters Inc.* will be arriving on DVD this coming Tuesday. Released last November, *Monsters Inc.* is a stunning display of the magic that a computer can create. The intricate detail put into every single frame of animation is absolutely mind-numbing. When I saw it in theaters, I found that I was completely lost in the stunning nature of the monsters' world. Pixar, the masters behind *Toy Story* and *Toy Story 2*, have come a long way since they created their first feature only a few years ago. Incredible graphics are an amazing tool, but a movie is still lacking without a great script; Monsters Inc. delivers both. The film takes place in Monstropolis, a monster city that is powered entirely by human children's screams. James P. "Sulley" Sullivan (John Goodman) and Mike Wazowski (Billy Crystal) work at Monsters Inc., the utility company that generates energy from children by training monsters to scare them. Through an intricate network of doors connected to the kids' closets, the monsters sneak in at night, scare the kids, fill up the canisters with screams,

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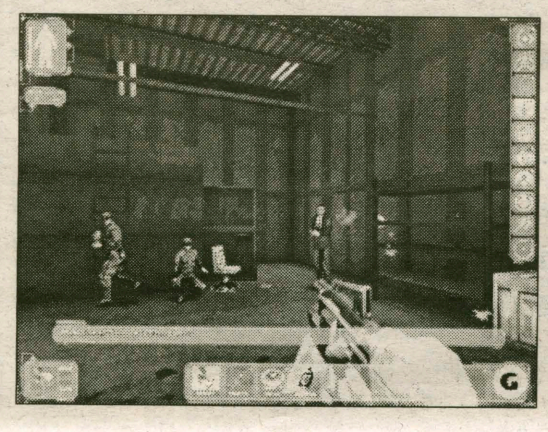
Gaming Corner

by Mithat Yaltir '03

It happened quite a few times when I played the demo or full version of a best-selling game and wonder: what is so good about this? Usually in cases like this, I conclude that the game is simply not my style. *Deus Ex* is a special case because it is the first time I said, "how could I miss it?"

Deus Ex, developed by Ion Storm and published by Eidos



Interactive, is a first-person shooter action game that was released on June 27th, 2000. Gamers walk in the shoes of JC Denton, covert operative for United Nations Antiterrorist Coalition (UNATCO). It has been quite a while since it was released and *Deus Ex II* is on its way. In fact, that is why I decided to check it out. However, the game is magnificent for several reasons.

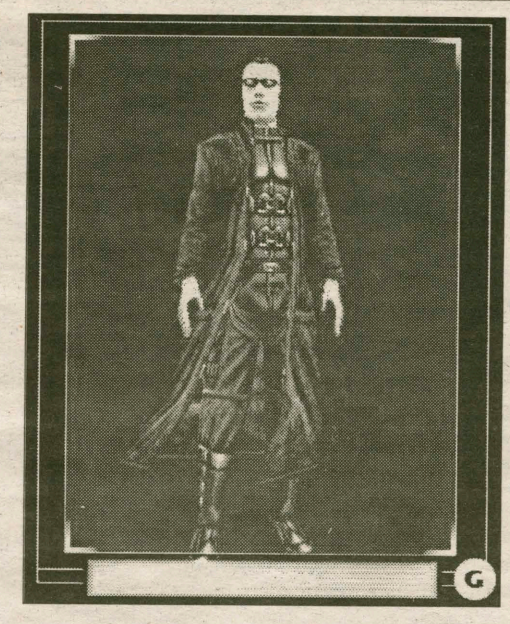
First of all, graphics are decent; however, they are not as good as *Warcraft III*, but much better than most recently released games.

Developer worked hard to recreate the Liberty Island and Statue of Liberty. I haven't seen most of the levels, but it is a good bet that all the levels are designed with the same care.

Secondly, damage effects of *Deus Ex* stands out from tradition shooters. The damage monitor is divided into six major areas: head, torso, arms and legs. Damage is applied only on the body part that has been hit and players suffer the consequences. For example, if the legs are severely damaged then Agent Denton will be unable to run or jump. Or, if the arms are critically injured, then Denton cannot use his tools and accuracy with a weapon is significantly reduced. As the reader may have guessed, serious head or torso injury results in death.

Thirdly, developer did everything they can to make the game "replayable." In most of the shooters I've played, I've thought that the developers already predicted my actions and planned for the easiest ways to solve puzzles. *Ion Storm* worked very hard to avoid this. There are multiple solutions to each puzzle in the game. For example, gamers who want to get the job done without a lot of noise can specialize in spy skills and pick locks, hack computers etc. It is also possible to specialize in demolition and use explosive to open the way. Or, one may choose to expertise in firearms and just kill the terrorist who has the key. Even the Denton is a code name for the character in the game. Gamers are free to choose whatever real name they prefer.

Developers also included a variety of weapons and items: from pistols to sniper rifles, booby-traps to remote controlled bombs, binoculars to telescopic sights are just to name a few. In addition, Denton can have medical operations and get superhuman powers. Boosting strength, vision, and hearing are only three of the possibilities included in the game. Upgrading weapons for improved accuracy and higher power is another plus for the game.



Gamers who have desperately waited for a new decent shooter should give *Deus Ex* a chance. Many of the most desirableshooters will not be released soon anyway.

Graphics: 90%
Music & Sound Effects: 88%
Originality: 75%
Creativity: 100%
Reviewers Tilt: 100%
Overall Game Rating: 90%

It is a sweet deal, as the price is around $30.00 in Sangertown mall.

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and then repeat the process the next night. However, chaos ensues when Sulley, the No. 1 scream-generator at the plant, accidentally lets a little girl into the monsters' world. Since monsters are actually terrified of children, it becomes a huge problem. As a result, Mike and Sulley inherit the responsibility of hiding the child from the monster world, and taking it back to its home. There are some plot twists that won't be spoiled here, but the dialogue is sharp and very funny. Goodman and Crystal have excellent chemistry and play off of each other very well.

As for the DVD, it is loaded with special features. It's like being a kid in a candy store. The two-disc DVD contains commentary by the filmmakers; deleted scenes; abandoned concepts; outtakes; an animated short, "Mike's New Car;" the 2001 Academy Award winning animated short "For The Birds;" and much more.

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Lacking fundamentals, American team finishes a disappointing sixth overall

by Chris Preston '03
I&I Editor

No discipline. No heart. No medal.

This is the current state of USA Basketball. Once so completely unparalleled that it was simply known as the "Dream Team," United States basketball saw its most feared nightmare come to fruition last Saturday, losing to Spain 81-75 to finish, brace yourselves, sixth in the World Championships. Sixth!

A sixth place finish was simply mind-boggling considering that just 72 hours earlier the U.S. was a perfect 58-0 in international competition since the '92 Olympics-the first year we decided to lower the boom on the rest of the world and use professional players instead of college players.

Nevertheless, on Wednesday, September 4 the once unbeatable United States basketball team fell at the hands of Argentina (Argentina?), 87-80....and then, in the face of elimination mind you, to Yugoslavia. And finally, to dig the knife as deep as possible, to those technically sound Spaniards.

And the worst part is, there was absolutely no excuse. The championships were played on our own home turf in Indianapolis; so hostile overseas crowds were not a factor. No team member was injured prior to the barrage of losses. And George Karl, one of the game's best coaches/motivators, was patrolling the sidelines. So what went wrong?

In truth, the demise of USA basketball has been in the works for years. Ever since the original Dream Team, whose roster included such hall of famers as Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson, Larry Bird, John Stockton, Patrick Ewing, etc., American NBA players have been reluctant to play for their country. Still, Team USA managed to scrape by.

This year, however, NBA players avoided playing for their country like never before. Apparently the likes of Kobe Bryant, Allen Iverson, Tracy McGrady, Kevin Garnett, Chris Webber, Jason Kidd, and Mike Bibby (I'll excuse Shaquille O'Neal on account of his recent surgery) weren't feeling the whole patriotic thing less than a year removed from the tragic events of September 11. But who am I to criticize? Shooting Adidas commercials (Kobe), domestic disputes (Iverson), and getting indicted by the grand jury (Webber) should always take precedent over having the privilege to represent your country in the wake of one of its biggest tragedies, shouldn't it?

Sarcasm aside, something needs to be done to put a stop to this apathy. If losing three games in a four day span wasn't embarrassing enough to get the players who didn't participate off their asses, then perhaps they should be required to do so. Maybe instituting a rule that requires any reigning MVP (Duncan, this year) or even any player who was voted to start in the All Star game to play is the way to go. Shouldn't a player feel obligated to represent the very fans who voted for him on the All-Star ballots?

Of course, those who did not play at the World Championships this year are not the only ones to blame. Elton Brand, Reggie Miller, Paul Pierce, Michael Finley, and the rest of this year's infamous squad are equally culpable. Clearly the team's expectations of its opponents' abilities were very low, and its perceptions of its own ability overly high. Bottom line is, they thought that like every U.S. team before them that they would breeze through the rest of the world. And it showed. How else can you describe the lack of focus and drive that led to their managing no more than 80 points in any of the three losses? My intramural team occasionally puts up bigger numbers than that, and we only play 20 minute halves. There is no excuse for U.S. players to have that much difficulty scoring against countries with talent far inferior to ours.

Lastly, the blame should be put on America's favorite whipping boy-the media. Namely, highlight shows such as SportsCenter, which routinely devotes at least 45 seconds of each minute-long NBA highlight to dunks and behind-the-back passes. That is why the annual dunk contest, not the game itself, is the highlight of every All Star weekend. Missing are such fundamentals as the mid-range jumper, use of the backboard, and the backdoor cut-the very tools that fundamentally-sound countries such as Argentina and Yugoslavia used to beat the Americans. Sadly, fundamentals do not interest the average American youngster, who would rather perfect the art of a reverse jam than a 15-foot jumper.

Regardless of where the blame should be placed, the USA Basketball team's sixth place finish at the 2002 World Championships will go down as one of the most embarrassing moments in American sports history. Every other major U.S. professional sport has staged some of its best performances since September 11: last year's World Series was one of the best ever and captured the entire nation, and the Patriots' dramatic Super Bowl win was a classic. Obviously the NBA has chosen not to follow suit.

Coach George Karl and Baron Davis watch in disgust.

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Sports

Smithson, Zalasky help Continentals to opening tie

by Andy Horner '03
MANAGING EDITOR

When you think about it, Hamilton's season-opener against Ithaca last weekend wasn't really a fair contest. Coming into the game, the Ithaca squad had already been playing together for almost a month. They were 2-0, and they'd already defeated a team that made it to the elite eight in last year's NCAA tournament. With such an edge in preparation, things could have gotten ugly in a hurry for the Continentals out on Love Field.

But things didn't get ugly at all. Instead, the Hamilton squad, having had a mere three practices prior to the game, came out and earned an impressive 1-1 tie against one of their tougher opponents of the year.

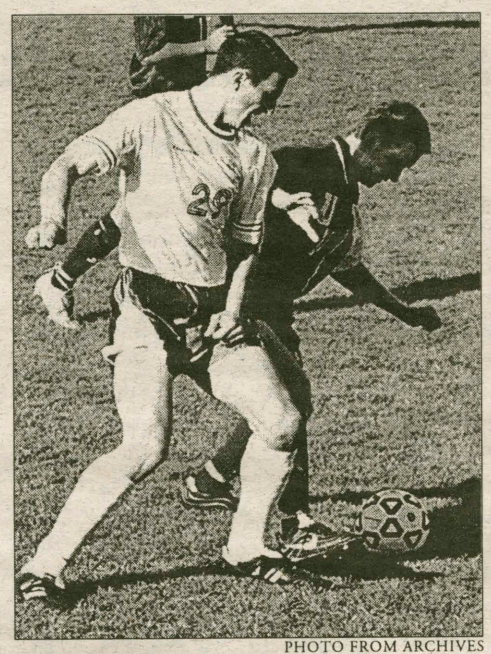
The first half saw the Continental midfield dominate the ball for long stretches, with midfielders Mike Thompson '03 and Pete Smithson '03 repeatedly making impressive runs to keep the ball in the Ithaca backfield. Unfortunately, as the half wore on, Hamilton was unable to convert this dominance of the ball into goals time and time again. On the rare occasions that Ithaca was able to penetrate the Continental backfield, the defensive efforts of sweeper Huy Huynh '03 led a defensive unit that had not played together before in shutting the door on Ithaca's forwards.

However, with the score knotted at 0-0 going into the second half, the Continentals were unable to keep up the pace of the first half, and began to tire. Despite this, the Continentals moved the ball up the field with shorter passes, and eventually their precision paid off.

In the 61st minute Hamilton's Dimitry Maurice '04, who rejoined the team this season after a year-long absence, was able to knock the ball past Ithaca keeper Ted Meyer off of a beautiful pass from rookie Nikolas Guzijan '06 for Hamilton's first goal of the season.

As the half wore on, the Continentals found they were unable to take advantage of the Ithaca's mistakes, and just seven minutes from what would have been an impressive victory, Ithaca was able to tie the game at 1-1 when Hamilton keeper Greg Zalasky '04 was beaten by Ithaca forward Dave King.

Thus, in the end, Ithaca's huge advantage in preparation and practice time allowed them only to avoid defeat at the hands of a Hamilton squad with only three practices under their belts.



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Once he recovers from his injury, Frank Vallone will be an intimidating presence in the backfield.

"I was pleased from the standpoint that we played well tactically and our technical skills were good after only three practices," said Hamilton coach Perry Nizzi. "I was a little disappointed with our overall team fitness, though. I think if we had been conditioned a little better, we could have won."

Huynh agreed, "As the season goes on, coach will make sure our fitness is where it has to be for us to win games."

Despite the overall lack of conditioning that is par for the course after only three practices, Nizzi had high praise for Zalasky, the latest in a line of fine Hamilton net minders. "Greg really did a super job for us in goal...I think he has gained the confidence of the team and the defense," commented Nizzi, "and I thought it was going to take longer than one game to do that."

In addition, Nizzi was pleased with the contributions of Smithson, who has not had many opportunities over the last three years to show his speed and versatility. Smithson complimented playmakers such as Mike Galante '04 and David Fox '03 in the midfield with his determination and ability to get to the ball in the air. "We're really very happy with Pete," said Nizzi, "since he came back very determined and fit. That was a big help for us in the Ithaca game, and we're going to have to find time for him."

In addition, Maurice's goal was just a glimpse of what the Hamilton offense if capable of. An all-UCAA rookie and the team's leading scorer two years ago, he joins the explosive combination of Sky Gellatly '03 and Wes Sherman '04 to create a deadly three man rotation. "Whenever you can run three great forwards at a defense, it's going to be a good thing," Nizzi explained.

If the Ithaca game was any indication of the skill level of the Continental squad, it's a pretty good bet that as their conditioning improves with more practices, this will be a team capable of explosive and entertaining play all over the field.

Hamilton will have another test this coming Tuesday as it travels to Nazareth to face the 2-0 Golden Flyers. Since with every game and every practice it becomes less likely that the Conts conditioning will hold them back, the question should soon become--Will anything?

Men's golf places first at Colgate

by Sports Staff

Rebounding from a disappointing start last weekend at Colgate's invitational tournament, where the Continentals finished 21st out of 22 mostly Division I and Division II teams, the Conts improved their overall level of play to tie for first place Tuesday at Skidmore's fall invitational tournament.

The Hamilton golfers never got on track at Colgate's invitational, held at its famed Seven Oaks Golf Course, the site of many amateur and professional regional, state, and national events. The Continentals were led by transfer Brian Williams'('04) 162 total for two rounds, but in spite of some good play by some individuals, including Tom Paolini('03)'s 79 on Saturday and Graham Stephens'('04) 79 on Sunday, no Continental played to his potential for all 36 holes. Binghamton edged Lehigh by two strokes for the team championship and Joe Kunz of Binghamton was low individual with a two over par 146.

The Continentals did, however, show great resilience coming back on Tuesday to shoot an excellent 305 and tie a strong St.Lawrence team for first place in regulation.

Although the Continentals lost the tie-breaker on the scorecards of each team's fifth-place golfer(total team scores are based on the total of the four best scores of each team, ties are broken by comparing the scores of the fifth starter), their feat was significant since St. Lawrence is expected to be a strong contender for a berth in the NCAA Championship next spring. Moreover, Hamilton finished ahead of Skidmore, a national power in collegiate golf, often ranked among the very top teams in the Northeast.

Hamilton was led by Williams, Tom Ferrero '04, and Dan Head '03, who all shot 76 on the McGregor course, a championship layout designed by the legendary golf course architect Donald Ross. Paolini birdied three of his last four holes to finish with a very solid 77.

The Continentals travel to Middlebury this weekend to face top competition from New England's strongest Division III teams and then play against an especially strong field in the Williams Invitational later in September.

Women's X-Country gains depth

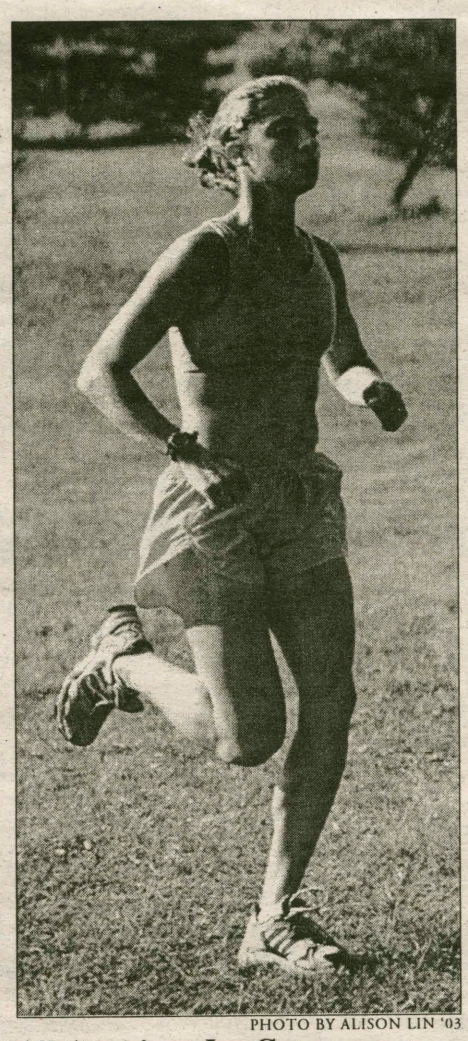
by Michael Everheart '03
SPORTS WRITER

Over the last three years the women's cross-country team has become one of the top teams in the Northeast. Last season it dominated many of its meets and finished ninth at the NCAA Championships, the highest finish of any team from its region. This season the Continentals will try to continue their success with Alison Linhard's work and great team chemistry. Tri-captain Lara Clemenzi '04 said, "I'm really excited about this season. Everyone is working very hard and has a positive attitude."

The team will be without Maggie Hanson '02, Annie Toth '02, and Becca Walker '02, who were lost to graduation. Hanson and Toth finished first and third on the team at the 2001 NCAA Championships and were both All-Americans during their careers.

Three of the top seven runners are returning, including tri-captain and All-American Jen Cammarano '03, 2001 UCAA Rookie of the Year Julianna Allport '05, and Margo Rockwell '05. It is not clear who the top runners will be after a week of practice.

"There are about four runners who could finish first on Saturday against Union. We'll just have to wait and see," said coach Ellen Hull. "People had some great summers of training and we've been able to avoid injuries so far."



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All-American Jen Cammarano

There are also ten new runners on the team, including three new upperclassmen, which will give the team plenty of depth with nineteen runners overall.

"I'm excited to see how our new runners adjust to collegiate racing. I think they're a very talented group," added Hull. Tomorrow the team takes on Union College at home on the golf course, which is one of two home meets this season; the other home meet is set for October 12. None of the returning runners have ever lost to Union. Hull said, "Union could be good this year with a new coach and several recruits."

Next weekend the team will compete against some very strong competition, including several Division I schools, at the Orange Classic at Syracuse University. The following weekend it will see some of its big rivals at the Cortland Invitational. Clemenzi said, "I think we're going to have another successful season. Right now we're just taking things one week at a time." If all goes well, the ultimate goal for the Continentals will be flying out to St. Olaf College (MN) in late November for the NCAA Championships.